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## Passing the torch

When the Olympic games were held in Los Angeles in 1984, my father, then well into his 70s, carried the flaming torch partway along its route across California. As he showed me a picture of himself so doing, he told me that the greatest moment was when he handed it on to the next person, a teenage girl from across town. He was deeply touched by the symbolism of that moment: an older man, playing a role in an ancient tradition, and then literally handing it on to a young woman to carry it onward.

“Torch passing” — a well-established figure of our daily speech — is occurring all across New Hampshire these days. The presidencies of our colleges and universities are changing, as are the executive directorships of nonprofits and the CEOs of businesses. And so too is the membership of boards of trustees and directors. Hardly a week goes by that I don’t get a call from some organization asking for the names of possible new members for their board. And most often they are looking for younger people and the distinctive perspective they would bring.

And, I would add, women.

An alumna of Leadership New Hampshire recently sent me an email in which she listed some of the major corporations and businesses in New Hampshire and for each noted the number of women on the board. The statistics were telling. One stood out with four female directors. All of the others had but one. While there are, no doubt, exceptions to this sample, the trend is clear. It’s time not simply to pass the torch but to look for new candidates to whom it can be handed.

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Now the challenge is one for both institutions and individuals: for the former actively to seek young talent, female and male, and for individuals to step forward and take up the torch. Many have observed that “millennials” are less interested in contributing their service than in writing a check. I hope not. Those who are retiring from our statewide and regional organizations and institutions have contributed enormously to the quality of life of which we so often speak with pride. It’s time now to carry on that tradition.

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## Primary update

Following a strong showing in the Fox News debate among the top 10 Republican candidates for president, Ohio Gov. John Kasich surged in popularity in New Hampshire. According to a Franklin Pierce-Boston Herald poll, Kasich is now in third place, or statistically tied for second with former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush. Kasich may prove a formidable dark horse, since, analysts point out, he has similarly moderate positions to Bush's, but without the dynastic baggage. TV and online ads highlight Kasich's mailman father, a contrast to Bush's president father, according to Politico. And Bush's campaign may be concerned with this development. Politico reported that Kasich's campaign manager claims he's gotten calls from two New Hampshire reporters who say they received opposition research material against Kasich from the Bush camp. Bush aides denied this. The AP also reported that Bush's Super-PAC, Right to Rise USA, will spend \$10 million on a TV ad campaign in the early voting states of New Hampshire, Iowa and South Carolina. The ads are scheduled to start airing on Sept. 15.

Though some analysts say Kasich may be enjoying the temporary glow from a \$1.3 million ad campaign by his Super-PAC, he's already snagged key endorsements in the Granite State such as former U.S. Sen. John Sununu and former Attorney General Tom Rath.

The same poll that saw Kasich's sudden rise also brought former HP CEO Carly Fiorina, the only female Republican in the race, to the top five.

NHPR reported Kentucky Sen. Rand Paul is having a difficult time shoring up support in New Hampshire despite his father, former Texas Congressman Ron Paul, getting second place in the New Hampshire primary in 2012. Paul is taking time off from the campaign trail to perform pro bono cataract surgery in Haiti, according to the Washington Post.

Billionaire businessman Donald Trump is still pulling large crowds for his public

appearances. WMUR reported Trump's rally at Winnacunnet High School in Hampton drew a crowd of about 3,000 people on Aug. 14. Former New York Gov. George Pataki had six events planned in the state that day, according to NHPR. Trump received criticism from the chairwoman of the New Hampshire GOP after he tweeted disparaging remarks about Fox News host Megyn Kelly following the debate where she co-moderated, according to the Boston Globe. In one tweet, Trump called Kelly a "bimbo." GOP Chair Jennifer Horn said his comments were "out of line" and "unacceptable." Trump is still leading the state polls with 18 percent.

At recent campaign stops in New Hampshire, Democratic frontrunner Hillary Clinton spoke with residents about the opioid epidemic and paying for college. NHPR reported Clinton unveiled a higher education affordability plan that involved capping tax deductions for the wealthy to make college more affordable, do away with loans and incentivize institutions to lower costs.

## Planned Parenthood

Executive Councilor Chris Sununu is continuing to call on state officials and the governor to find alternative organizations that provide women's health care for the state to partner with. NHPR reported that this comes after he was one of three Republican councilors who voted down a \$640,000 contract for Planned Parenthood of New England. Sununu wrote a letter to the health commissioner in which he said women should not be forced to get care from Planned Parenthood because of the national scandal caused by videos allegedly showing organization officials discussing fetal tissue donation fees. He also said Planned Parenthood "managed to discourage other qualified health care providers from bidding" on the contract and criticized Gov. Maggie Hassan for disagreeing. Proponents of Planned Parenthood say the New England chapter does not engage in fetal tissue dona-

tion and that losing the contract would impact services to 12,000 New Hampshire women.

## Storm aid

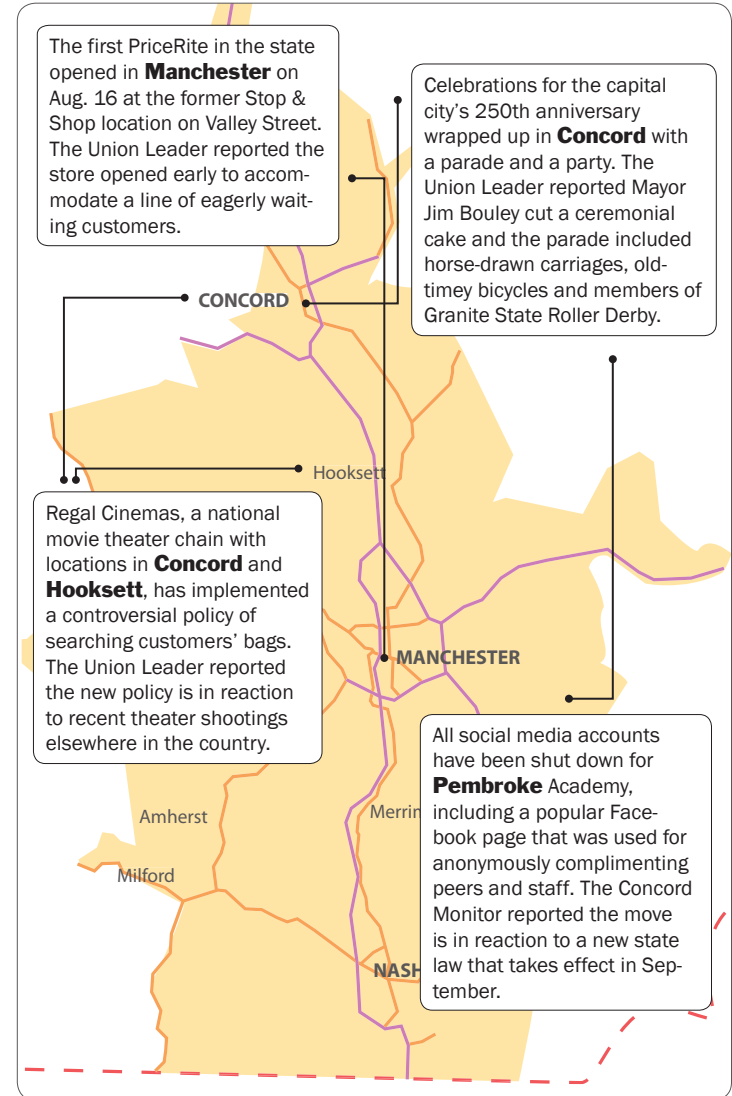
New Hampshire has received more than \$1.3 million in federal disaster relief funds for a major snowstorm in January. NHPR reported the money received by the state was for a storm that took place Jan. 26 through Jan. 28 and affected Rockingham, Hillsborough and Strafford counties. Gov. Maggie Hassan has said removing snow from those counties after the storm cost about \$3.3 million. The Department of Transportation had about 650 employees out cleaning roads, and nearly 900 private plows were contracted.

## Ballot selfies

A federal judge has struck down a controversial New Hampshire law prohibiting voters from posting selfies with marked ballots online. The Concord Monitor reported the law was enacted last year in an effort to prevent voter coercion or vote-buying, concerns the judge characterized as anachronistic since they have not taken place in over a century. Under the law, violators have been subject to \$1,000 fines. Opponents posted ballot selfies in protest and sued when they were cited.

## Rudman center

It's been five months since John Broderick, former chief justice of the New Hampshire Supreme Court, stepped down



as executive director of the University of New Hampshire Law School's Warren B. Rudman Center for Justice and Public Policy, and the school has yet to find a replacement. The Concord Monitor reported that future events will not involve high-profile guests as they did when Broderick was at the helm. Broderick left the center citing

a lack of support from the institution as the main reason for his resignation. School officials told the Monitor that Broderick was earning a salary as dean of the law school that was unsustainable. He was earning more than \$300,000 a year and made more than \$800,000 the year the school merged with Franklin Pierce Law Center. 🌩️

## BEST WEEK

### NEW ENGLAND COLLEGE

Mount Washington College's loss is New England College's gain. The Concord Monitor reported NEC in Henniker is accepting transfers from the Manchester-based for-profit school formerly known as Hesser College. Last month, Mount Washington College announced it would close for good in April 2016 due to low student enrollment. There are 300 in-class students and 200 online students currently enrolled at Mount Washington. NEC officials said they offer similar courses and online options as well. NEC made a similar move to scoop up students when Chester College folded.

## WORST WEEK

### VETERANS MUSEUM

A superior court judge ordered the closure of the Veterans Museum of New Hampshire and its president, Henry Pratte, to pay a \$10,000 fine for defrauding donors. NHPR reported Pratte began raising money in 2009 to build the museum in Boscaawen, but he never registered as a non-profit with the federal government. He falsely told donors that their donations would be tax deductible. Pratte must also pay \$1,000 to a veteran who donated money, and he cannot be involved in any New Hampshire charity for 10 years.



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# Diner moments

How local places become fixtures on the presidential retail politics circuit

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Presidential campaigns stick to a safe formula when it comes to their New Hampshire visits, making pit stops at popular restaurants and diners to chat with regular people, shake a lot of hands — and potentially earn a few votes.

## Hot spots

Neil Levesque, the executive director of Saint Anselm's New Hampshire Institute of Politics and the chair of the New Hampshire Presidential Primary Centennial Anniversary Commission, says there are several familiar restaurants, stores and other businesses that candidates for president will frequent during an election cycle. They include places like the Red Arrow Diner, the Puritan Backroom and Chez Vachon in Manchester.

"If you're at the Backroom for lunch, it's not gonna take very long before you see someone who's a high-rank elected official or presidential candidate, and that's kind of exciting," Levesque said.

So far this year, Robie's Country Store in Hooksett has already been visited by candidates like former HP CEO Carly Fiorina, South Carolina Sen. Lindsey Graham and New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie.

Diners are particularly popular. In addition to the Red Arrow and Chez Vachon, candidates will visit Joey's Diner in Amherst, the Pink Cadillac Diner in Rochester, MaryAnn's Diner in Derby and the Airport Diner in Manchester. And up until its closing in 2008, the Merimack Diner in Manchester had racked up an impressive list of candidate visits.

MaryAnn's owner Christina Andreoli thinks campaigns like diners because of the type of people they find there.

"I think it's just because you get a lot of ... variety. If you were to go to a steakhouse, you're just gonna have people that can afford that," Andreoli said. "In a diner type of atmosphere, you get everybody. You get mothers, you get senior citizens, you get people who are working that are on their lunch break."

She said campaign visits began at her diner about 10 years ago.

"It started originally because somebody who was campaigning, and I can't remember who it was, but they had called for the chamber of commerce and asked for a good place to go that would have a lot of different types of people and a lot of people around that they could come in and



Chez Vachon in Manchester is a political campaign stop hot spot. Photo by Ryan Lessard.

shake hands with," Andreoli said. "They were told that MaryAnn's was a good place, and it seems everyone's followed suit. It becomes a bigger deal every year, and now we're just kinda known for it."

So far, Andreoli said, former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, Kentucky Sen. Rand Paul, Christie and Graham have visited the diner.

"Funny story is, nobody that's been in has actually won," Andreoli said. "We did have Bill Clinton in, but it was after he had already been president."

Candidates also pay visits to breweries in the state and tour small factory floors or the chic office spaces of tech companies like Dyn in Manchester. Last July, Graham even visited the Bedford town dump. As far as anyone knows, that was a first for a presidential candidate.

But, for the most part, candidates stick to small to medium-sized businesses. And that's not by mistake. When asked in a recent Gallup poll which institutions people have the most confidence in, respondents scored small businesses very highly. That category received the second-highest score after the military with 67 percent saying they had either a "great deal" or "quite a lot" of confidence in it. To put that in perspective, it scored higher than the church or organized religion, police, the medical system and the presidency.

## Planning visits

Levesque has worked in politics for more than 15 years. He says some visits or public events require more planning than others. He has a personal hand in planning the popular Politics & Eggs

events that attract presidential candidates or, between election seasons, other politicians and academics to give keynote speeches. Rand Paul's appearance at the event on Aug. 11 marks the 11th Republican candidate out of nearly 20 to use the event as a platform for both media exposure and connecting with the who's who of New Hampshire. So far, the only Democrat to appear this year has been former Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley.

A new event organized by the Concord City Republican Committee called Politics & Pie has already gained national recognition. Six candidates for president, plus one potential candidate who decided not to run, have already appeared and eaten pie while meeting with voters. Kerry Marsh, the chair of the committee, said they took the summer off but plan on inviting more candidates soon.

House parties are another common campaign stop and some homes seem to be more popular than others. BAE executive and former candidate for Congress Rich Ashooh and his wife Lori have invited candidates like Bush and Graham to their home along with members of the public and the media to see the candidates in a more intimate setting.

Levesque says retail politics require somewhat less deliberate planning but that doesn't mean campaigns leave everything up to chance.

"The campaign managers are risk-averse, so they'll call the diner and say, we're gonna come by at this time and keep it a secret, and then sometimes they'll tip off a bunch of supporters so they'll kinda be sitting there," Levesque said. "But you're gonna get regular people too."

And those regular people can often lay waste to a candidate's carefully laid plans. Levesque recalls one infamous stop by Mitt Romney at Chez Vachon in 2011. He sat with a veteran who asked Romney about his stance on gay marriage. Romney, of course, said he believed marriage was between a man and a woman. Little did Romney realize that the veteran next to him was gay and the man sitting across from him was his partner. The whole episode was recorded by a flock of reporters.

"That was a sort of diner moment," Levesque said.

Usually, a candidate doesn't stay too long at one place or talking to a single person. The faster they move, the less chance of embarrassment.

"What usually happens is a candidate goes through, shakes a few hands, there's a lot of media that usually follows behind, and you can see them doing retail politics," Levesque said. "But there's a lot of places that say, 'We don't allow politicking going on here.'"

That's why Levesque said it's usually a good idea to get permission from proprietors first.

"You don't want to have a candidate walk through the door and then be told to leave," Levesque said.

Generally speaking, big-name politicians don't get turned away, Levesque says. Store and restaurant owners often like having the gravitational pull of celebrity in their midst.

As far as how campaigns know which places to target, that's when the expertise of the local party committee comes into play.

"Usually, your town chairs will be very helpful in organizing that," Levesque said. "If you are coming in through Amherst, you'll know that Joey's Diner is a place that is usually friendly to this and ... the town chair sometimes will go in and check with the owner and make sure it's OK."

Levesque says most places are not exclusively open to particular political parties, but some are. He believes some apple orchards lean more Democratic, and NHPR recently reported that Geno's Chowder and Sandwich shop in Portsmouth is considered a haven for Republicans amid an otherwise Democratic city. But even though the Backroom is owned by Chris Pappas, a Democratic Executive Councilor with higher political aspirations, both Democrats and Republicans are welcome to come in and mingle with patrons. 🍷



# Easy transfers

Dual admission program at NEC part of growing trend



Courtesy photo.

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A new program at Henniker's New England College called CC2NEC will automatically admit community college students across the nation, positioning the school to aggressively target non-traditional students. Meanwhile, other state colleges are gradually easing barriers for community college students to transfer.

## CC2NEC

New England College's new program is unique in the state, and as far as Vice President of Enrollment Brad Poznanski knows, it might be unique in the country.

"We haven't heard of another dual acceptance program of this type ... of this magnitude," Poznanski said.

Schools have long set up articulation agreements with other schools, sometimes for specific programs, other times as general partnerships with the school as a whole. Usually, a receiving four-year institution will want to preserve some measure of control over what credits from other schools they accept, to make sure previous coursework matches up with their existing academic standards.

On some level, this is still the case for NEC. While it accepts up to 90 credits from a community college (as it has for about 27 years), NEC reviews each transcript and makes a call on whether each class can fill a requirement for a bachelor program or not.

What's new is the automatic admission for all community college students in the country.

"It's a dual acceptance program so that virtually, if a student has been admitted at a community college, then they should consider themselves admitted to New England College at the same time, provided they do satisfactory work at the community college," Poznanski said.

Poznanski said satisfactory work is usually defined by at least a 2.0 GPA, but there is no

official minimum grade score.

"We're not attaching a lot of strings," Poznanski said.

And while it may seem like a logistical nightmare, setting up partnerships with literally every community college in the country, Poznanski said that's not the case for NEC. Restrictions for community college transfers were already very minimal, so what this program does is make transferring a more proactive process and spread the word beyond state borders.

"It's not a leap for us, not a difficult endeavor whatsoever," Poznanski said. "It was really just coming up with the idea."

He says the school is taking a very open and inclusive approach to higher education, where more traditional universities look askance at allowing a hodgepodge of past coursework to intermingle with their carefully crafted curricula.

"I think that, in the traditional sense, colleges feel that there's only one way to deliver a certain type of degree, that there's only one curriculum, that there's only one pathway that a student can follow," Poznanski said. "Some schools may look at work that students do at community colleges as being of lesser value than what's available at a four-year institution, and we just don't see it that way at all."

In fact, it's been Poznanski's experience that community college transfer students at NEC have been some of the most self-directed, mature and hard-working people in its student body.

Poznanski hopes the CC2NEC program will help meet the school's enrollment goal, which is to boost campus undergraduate enrollment from 1,000 to 1,500 in the next five years and to double online enrollment from 850 to 1,700.

## Lowering barriers

Thomas Horgan, the president of the New Hampshire College and University Council, says a school's relative inclusiveness >

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for transfer students and been a dividing factor.

“Some four-year colleges would feel strongly that being on their campus for four years is a really important part of the educational experience. Other institutions have a lot of transfer students,” Horgan said.

He said as people struggle to find ways to afford increasingly expensive degrees, starting their education in a community college is becoming a more popular option.

“So we’re seeing four-year colleges, both public and private, responding to that demand,” he said. “I think there’s definitely been a loosening up of the number of credits that are accepted by the four-year institution.”

Arguably, NEC is already one of the most inclusive schools in the state, with an acceptance rate of 90 percent according to

the Princeton Review. That’s higher than Southern New Hampshire University, which has an 84 percent acceptance rate. SNHU also accepts up to 90 credits from community colleges and has offered a dual acceptance program with Manchester Community College, Nashua Community College and Great Bay Community College since 2008. And last year, NHTI in Concord was added to that list. SNHU also has articulation agreements with nearly 40 community colleges around the country.

Saint Anselm College has a few more barriers. The school, which has a 76-percent acceptance rate, accepts up to 20 courses from community colleges. Assuming those are each four-credit courses, that’s an upper limit of 80 credits. And Saint Anselm requires students to take half of their major

courses at one of the Benedictine campus. Perhaps the most restrictive school in the state is Dartmouth College, an Ivy League school. It has only a 10-percent acceptance rate and only accepts up to four credits from another four-year school. Online and community college credits are virtually worthless currency to a Dartmouth admissions officer. Policies like this are par for the course among the more prestigious institutions.

Somewhere in the middle are the public universities. They’ve largely eased transfer barriers over the past decade, but, compared to NEC or SNHU, they’re late to the game. According to the University System of New Hampshire, Granite State College began its 90-credit transfer policy this year. Plymouth State University’s 90-credit policy has been around since the 2009-2010 school year,

and at Keene State College all credits from accredited universities can transfer, though, as with all schools, not all the credits may go toward one’s major.

The University of New Hampshire, the state’s flagship public university, remains a bit more restrictive. UNH accepts up to 64 credits from community colleges and up to 96 from a four-year school.

Still, much can change in the years to come with several challenges facing higher ed and with dwindling high school graduate numbers in the Granite State. Horgan says NEC’s approach is an aggressive move to adjust to the changing times.

“It’s probably a model that other institutions will look at seriously, and I wouldn’t be surprised to see others follow,” Horgan said. 🌊

# Gatsas vs. teachers

## Mayor faces angry teachers and school board members

By Ryan Lessard  
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After Manchester Mayor Ted Gatsas vetoed the most recent contract for the Manchester Education Association, union leaders and elected officials responded with a rally of about 200 teachers and a vote of “no confidence” by the school board against Gatsas, who also serves as the chair of the school board.

### Red shirts

During a meeting of the Manchester Board of School Committee on Aug. 10, Gatsas silently stood at the podium in the packed aldermanic chambers of City Hall while resident after resident expressed dissatisfaction with him and his decision to veto the union contract six days prior. Those who spoke included teachers, parents, students and candidates for mayor.

Hundreds of teachers and their allies rallied outside of City Hall in red shirts, holding signs that read “Teachers Deserve a Fair Contract” and “Students Deserve Better Than Gatsas,” before shuffling into the school board meeting and lining up to speak during a public input session.

Mike Porter of Ward 8 accused Gatsas of using “fuzzy math” in order to reach a conclusion that left the teachers feeling “kicked in the teeth.” Others accused Gatsas of bullying and called for residents to vote him out of office. One mother said she was seriously considering moving out of Manchester over the conditions at what she sees as under-resourced schools.

During the testimony of Hillside Middle School Principal Brendan McCafferty, he recounted a time when Gatsas pulled him aside during a public function and said privately to McCafferty to “remember how you got here.”

A majority of the school board wore red



Teachers rally at the Aug. 10 Board of School Committee meeting. Ryan Lessard photo.

shirts in solidarity with the union, and they had all previously voted in favor of the contract Gatsas vetoed.

Later in the meeting, Superintendent Debra Livingston asked the board to table raises for herself and other top administrators making six-digit salaries.

“It is my intent not to negotiate any kind of raise until the people behind me have a contract,” Livingston said.

The board tabled the contracts. Then, in a surprise move, committee member John Avard, who also served as the chief negotiator for the district when the contract was being crafted, called for a vote of no-confidence against Gatsas, which passed 10-2. Committee members Ted Rokas and Debra Gagnon Langton voted in the opposition.

Gatsas could not be reached for comment following the vote, which the city clerk says is largely symbolic.

### The contract

Ben Dick, the outgoing president of the MEA, said getting this contract this far wasn’t easy.

“It’s really the culmination of two years of work,” Dick said. “Both sides worked hard to find creative solutions to the biggest problems, which are typically health care and salary, while at the same time doing some other innovative things including adjusting the way we set our calendar....”

Committee member Avard agreed.

“It was a hard-fought battle to get to this point. There were concessions made on both sides,” Avard said. “Everybody worked very, very hard to accomplish this offer, and I don’t know what else we can do.”

Now, Dick says, the teachers are going into their third year without a contract and their fourth year without a pay increase.

Some of the key provisions of the deal would have provided a flexible health care option that many, like Avard, argue would have saved the city money in the long run.

“Looking at what happens without a [contract], we have guaranteed increases within our insurance line because premiums will be going up. And the policies that the teachers [are] on were very rich policies,” Avard said. “The teachers were willing to surrender those policies and to take less rich policies at a higher premium expense to them in exchange for the remainder of the contract.”

In other words, Avard said, the contract would have meant less spending, but Gatsas claimed the contract would cost the city too much and force it to exceed the tax cap.

Gatsas based his argument on numbers provided by Finance Director Bill Sanders, which showed deficits over \$700,000 in FY2017 and FY2018, while Avard argued it’s impossible to know that far into the future what the tax cap will be.

“It’s a very volatile number and nobody can predict where it’s going to be next year, much less two years from now,” Avard said.

He accused Gatsas of vetoing the contract, which had unanimous support from the school board and majority support of the union, based on “fabricated” reasons and said Gatsas chose to ignore the data.

“For him to disregard this information and fabricate his own to justify his veto is just astounding to me,” Avard said.

Following the no-confidence vote, Avard, a Republican like Gatsas, threw his support behind one of Gatsas’ Democratic challengers in the upcoming nonpartisan election: former alderman Patrick Arnold.

The school board also passed a non-binding motion asking the aldermen to revisit the contract vote. 🌊



# #PresidentialSelfieGirls

Two teen sisters trying to get selfies with every candidate

Emma and Addy Nozell are 15- and 17-year-old sisters on a mission to get selfies with every candidate for president on the 2016 ballot. So far, they have 19 crossed off their list with four to go at press time: Republicans Florida Sen. Marco Rubio, former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee, Texas Sen. Ted Cruz and former Virginia Democratic Sen. Jim Webb. You can find all the selfies at flickr.com/photos/marchn/albums.

**Q:** *Whose idea was it to get selfies with presidential candidates?*

**Addy:** I would say half and half, because Emma was the first one to take [a presidential selfie] but I was the one who was like, 'Why not everyone?' Yeah, we're both responsible for this.

*Did you set out to just take selfies or did you want to experience the campaigns, too?*

**Addy:** We've already experienced the campaigns, I suppose, because we've been involved since we were in diapers, so this is isn't a new experience for us.

*How did you get exposed to politics at such an early age?*

**Emma:** We're two [kids] out of six, the last two. And with a big family, you don't really go to, like, Disney World or any, like, big fancy places. ... So, that's pretty much what you do for fun in New Hampshire.

*Were there any selfies you weren't satisfied with and want to track down the candidate for a do-over?*

**Addy:** I mean, Rick Perry. He's kinda looking off [in the original selfie]. He hasn't been [back] in the state that we know of.

**Emma:** Yeah, we offered it. He just needs to get back to us.

**Addy:** But, this morning, we went to [see] Chris Christie and we got to get another selfie and to say 'thank you' for starting this all off.

**Emma:** The first one only had me in it.

*You're both very young compared to most people following the presidential race this early. How do your friends react?*

**Addy:** They kind of find it weird that we're getting so much attention for selfies, because it's just a selfie to our generation, I suppose. But to older generations it's like, 'What?! Young people like to be involved in politics and actually want to?'

**Emma:** They all look forward to it. Addy and I have sort of the same friends and they all look forward to, like, Jeb Bush and Hillary



The Nozells with Donald Trump.

and Bernie and Trump. They like getting into it. [They find it] weird but entertaining.

*What are some of the things you've learned seeing politicians campaigning in the flesh?*

**Addy:** Just hearing their speeches and how they've changed or what they've added or what they've taken out of their speeches, because I've heard them more than once. What their views are and what they feel are close to their heart.

**Emma:** I'm learning about what they're planning to do in the Middle East. ... My brother's in the military and I'm interested to hear what they're gonna do about that.

*What will you do when you've collected all the candidates?*

**Addy:** We're gonna try, when they announce who their VPs will be, we're gonna try to go after vice [presidential candidates]. And when we're done, hopefully Obama.

*Has this experience inspired any future career aspirations?*

**Emma:** This whole experience kinda made me think about going into broadcasting and media. ... When I was getting the Scott Walker selfie, I kinda went up to him [and] I pushed and shoved to get it. ... I'm so young and short and I just kinda went for it.

**Addy:** I'm not really sure. I'm obviously interested in politics, but I think teaching is more my style. — Ryan Lessard

**Emma's Five favorites**

**Favorite Book:** *Thirteen Reasons Why* by Jay Asher

**Favorite Movie:** *High School Musical*

**Favorite Musician:** One Direction

**Favorite Food:** Potatoes

**Favorite thing about NH:** The way it looks in the fall

**Addy's Five favorites**

**Favorite Book:** *Paper Towns* by John Green

**Favorite Movie:** *The Lion King*

**Favorite Musician:** Ed Sheeran

**Favorite Food:** Ramen noodles

**Favorite thing about NH:** Maple syrup season

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## QUALITY OF LIFE INDEX

### Dam research

The National Science Foundation awarded a grant of \$6 million to the University of New Hampshire to fund a four-year study of New England dams. NHPR reported the study aims to investigate the future of the dams and the connections between scientists and decision-makers concerning maintenance, removal or expansion of hydropower dams. The project, which will be led by a research professor of civil and environmental engineering, is part of the New England Sustainability Consortium.

**QOL Score: +1**

**Comment:** *NEST started in 2013 with a focus on coastal beaches and shellfish beds.*

### Impact statements

After Gov. Maggie Hassan signed HB 225, New Hampshire became the first state in the nation to require people convicted of violent crimes to be present for their sentencing hearings. The idea is to ensure that victims and people close to the victims have an opportunity to speak to the convicted violent offender to express how their crime impacted them. NHPR reported the judge will have the power to excuse the offender from appearing if circumstances are extenuating. The effort to change the law began after Seth Mazzaglia requested to be absent from his sentencing hearing for killing UNH student Lizzi Marriott. He later withdrew that request.

**QOL Score: +1**

**Comment:** *The bill was sponsored by Democratic Rep. Renny Cushing, who read a victim impact statement to his father's killer in 1988.*

### Liquor money

The New Hampshire Liquor Commission posted record sales of \$642 million in the fiscal year that ended June 30, which makes an increase of \$21 million over the previous year, according to an NHPR report. Net profits transferred into the General Fund also set a new record at \$152 million. Innovative marketing, sales initiatives and a successful holiday season are to credit, said Liquor Commission Chairman Joseph Mollica. The commission operates 78 stores around the state, including the new 24,000-square-foot store that opened in Salem in June, and also the newly renovated stores on Interstate 93 in Hooksett.

**QOL Score: +1**

**Comment:** *Since the New Hampshire Liquor & Wine Outlet opened in 1934, liquor and wine sales have generated more than \$3 billion in revenue for the state.*

### White Christmas

In these hazy hot days of summer, we're reminded it must come to an end by the Farmer's Almanac, which has predicted a "super cold" winter with a slew of snow for most of the country, even in places that normally don't see a lot of it. Just about everybody who normally gets snow will be having a white Christmas, in one capacity or another, Almanac Editor Janice Stillman told WMUR. The predictions are based on a secret formula Robert B. Thomas designed using solar cycles, climatology and meteorology. The Farmer's Almanac is due to be released later this month.

**QOL Score: -1**

**Comment:** *One reason why QOL is not complaining about this super-hot week — it's still way, way better than frigid temps and mountains of snow.*

**Last week's QOL score: 84**

**Net change: +2**

**QOL this week: 86**

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**The Green:** It's an angled green that is all downhill if you're on the backside and breaks to the left as it goes. So better to be in the front of the green to control the pace of the putt which helps handle the break better as well.



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## Last six weeks for Sox



For the third time in the last four, the baseball season was over by Aug. 1. This time the end came after a disastrous road trip immediately following the All-Star

break that made what looked like their first promising stretch of the year into what it really was, a mirage.

So it's garbage time until October. The bright side is, it presents an opportunity to not only evaluate what they have going forward, but also decide which course to take: bow to public/media pressure by plugging holes with hugely expensive moves, which hasn't worked since the days of **Manny and Johnny Damon**, or take their lumps in 2016 while building around a core of promising young players.

After seeing them drop gigantic money for total busts **Pablo Sandoval** and **Hanley Ramirez** and still finish last, I'm for the latter. Signing them was a panic move by owners who don't seem to get what The Nation will support. True, winning is great and with their resources they can't be also-rans for long. But while Red Sox Nation is filled with more whiners than people now calling **Donald Trump** a meanie, they will support a young, talented, exciting team as it grows if there's light at the end of the tunnel.

That's happened three times on my watch: in the 1970s when a fertile farm system sent several young stars to the big club culminating in a trip to the 1975 World Series; in the mid-'80s when **Roger Clemens** and others led them to three division titles between 1986 and 1990, and right after finally winning in 2004, when young talent emerged before winning again in 2007.

If I were in charge I would build around their young talent, trading for players who fit the profile of a young team on the rise with an eye on contending in 2017. So the next six weeks should be about for growth for what they know they have, for their potential trade bait and evaluation of others to clearly see what the holes will be entering the off-season.

**What They Have:** A lead-off hitter — **Mookie Betts**. An injury-prone leader — **Dustin Pedroia**. A prime-time shortstop, middle-of-the-order hitter — **Xander Bogaerts**. A middle-of-the-rotation starter, not the Hall of Famer many were calling him after three starts — **Eduardo Rodriguez**. A catcher with solid promise — **Blake Swihart**. After that, question marks.

**Rick Porcello:** I don't believe he's as bad as he's been. So after he gets off the DL they must get him right, because since they'll be paying him \$20 million per they

need to know he can be the third starter next year because they can't eat all that money.

**Right Field:** **Rusney Castillo** is giving signs he may not be an epic bust after all. Even more surprisingly, after a huge week-end **Jackie Bradley Jr.** may be figuring it out too. It could be a blip on the screen. But the only way to know is to play both every day. Assuming Mookie stays in center, all three can't start in the outfield because it doesn't offer enough power. But if both show they can play, up goes their trade value. If that means Ramirez doesn't play at all, I'm OK with that, and you know he will be too.

**The Bullpen:** Kansas City shows you can win with OK starters if the bullpen is lights-out from the sixth inning on. So let's see who can function that way. Up comes **Matt Barnes** to learn on the job no matter how many homers he gives up and with **Koji** gone, **Joe Kelly** becomes the closer, because **EARTH TO BEN**, his Sports ADD prevents full concentration for seven innings. Thus, he's a one-inning pitcher who could be the kind of swing-and-miss pitcher needed for the eighth or ninth.

**The Starters:** They will need to buy or trade for an ace, and with **Clay Buchholz** again teasing us before the annual injury they may need a No. 2 as well. Thus the competition is on for the fourth and fifth spots between Rodriguez, **Henry Owens** and **Brian Johnson** if he can get healthy. So they pitch every fifth day to earn the inside track to be in the back of the rotation. If not, then Ben knows he has even more work cut out for himself.

**Third Base:** Sandoval must be moved at all costs, even if they have to eat \$10 million per year. A bitter pill to be swallow for sure. Maybe **Travis Shaw** goes here, but I'd try Mookie here too because if Bradley and Castillo are for real moving him here could let them keep all three — two of which are very cost-efficient.

**First Base:** Ramirez has already proved he won't put in the work to learn how to play in baseball's easiest spot — left at Fenway. I hate this guy, but they're stuck with him. So he returns to the infield to play first because they have a hole there and need it filled by a guy with power.

**David Ortiz:** He'll hit 30 homers again, though most in garbage time. But coming into camp out of shape for the umpteenth time led to another slow start that killed them the first three months. So go for 500 now, but the edict is simple: You are a team leader — act like one. Come into camp in shape or be suspended, because you will not be allowed to play yourself into shape.

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# Bedford just misses

**The Big Story:** That was a gallant effort by Bedford that came up just one game short of going to the Little League World Series for the second time in town history. They got to that point in the New England Regional Tournament behind a barrage of five homers in a 16-1 win over Waterford, Connecticut, and an 11-5 win over South Burlington, Vermont, in the winners bracket title game. The end came in their only loss all through tournament play this summer when they went down 10-4 to Cranston, Rhode Island, on Sunday. All of which leaves only one question: Why did Cranston have a chance to lose and play on in the loser bracket while Bedford's lone loss ushered them out of the tourney? Doesn't seem like a fair way to decide a champ.

**Sports 101:** Who is the only person to play at least 500 games for four different major-league baseball teams?

**Hot Ticket:** Don't forget about the fourth annual **Sam Carey Classic** to be played Friday, Aug. 21, at Manchester Central High School. It will feature some of the best high school and alumni basketball talent in the area, and proceeds will go to renovate the basketball courts at Manches-

ter's Beech Street School.

**Coming to a World Famous Arena Near You: Hot Ticket:** More good news for hoop fans as the Boston Celtics will return to the World Famous Verizon Wireless Arena this fall on Oct. 28 for an exhibition game against the Philadelphia 76ers. Tickets go on sale Aug. 28 and are priced from \$26 to \$96.

**All Name Team:** It goes to Cigna/Elliott Corporate 5k road race winner **Diriba Dege Yigezu**. The Ethiopia native hit the tape at 14:18 to claim the win; he became the 15th winner in the last 16 years to come from Ethiopia or neighboring Kenya.

**Sports 101 Answer:** La Grand Orange (Au-Ron-ga), as **Rusty Staub** was called while playing in Montreal, is the only one to play 500 games with four different teams. He did it with the Expos, Mets, Tigers and in Houston as an original Colt 45 and later an Astro.

**On This Date – Aug. 20: 1911 –** One-time 40-game winner **Ed Walsh** no-hits Boston in a 5-0 White Sox win. **1982 – Rickey Henderson** steals his 119th base to break **Lou Brock's** single-season mark. **1995 –** Young buck **Eldrick Woods** wins the U.S. Golf Amateur Championship.

## The Numbers

2 – pre-season pick of Dartmouth College in the coaches poll at the Ivy league's football media day.

5 – homers hit by Bedford in overpowering 16-1 and 11-4 wins over Connecticut and Vermont in the NE Regional Little League tournament. **Zach Fletcher**, **Austin Bequeath**, **Kyle Lavigne** (grand slam), **TJ**

**Crowley** and **Mike Pratte** hit the round-trippers.

7 – times Saint Anselm will have searched for a new athletic director in recent years after the resignation last week of **Jim Herlihy**, who's been on the job since May 2014. Former UNH Basketball Coach **Phil Rowe** has been named interim director.

58 – percentage of the 100 NFL players polled by

ESPN Sports Nation that said **Tom Brady** was not a cheater in the Deflategate controversy.

7,000 – number of runners exceeded in last week's Cigna/Elliott Corporate 5k road race, won on the men's side by the aforementioned **Diriba Dege Yigezu** and defending champ Kenyan **Grace Kahura** on the women's side in 16.55.

## Sports Glossary

**The '70s Sox:** A bountiful period when the farm system in short order sent **Carlton Fisk**, **Cecil Cooper**, **Ben Oglivie**, **Dwight Evans**, **Rick Burleson**, **Jim Rice** and **Fred Lynn** to the big club. Among their accomplishments were two Hall of Famers, two MVPs, two Rookies of the Year, two home run crowns, the most homers hit by a catcher, the best-fielding right fielder of his era and trade bait in Cooper and Oglivie, who went on to win a batting title and hit 43 homers for elsewhere.

**The Mid-'80s Sox:** The farm system produced two Famers, **Roger Clemens** and **Wade Boggs**, and a host of solid contributors to all or some of three division winners in **Bruce Hurst**, **Oil Can Boyd**, **Mike Greenwell**, **Ellis Burks**, **Jody Reed**, **Marty Barrett** and **Tim Lincecum** (stardom). They also developed and, gulp, traded **Jeff Bagwell**, **John Tudor** and **Bobby Ojeda**.

**The 2007 Sox:** Rarely does a team that wins get fortified by a farm system as the 2004 champs did before winning in 2007 with a cast of young'ns like **Dustin Pedroia**, **Jacoby Ellsbury**, **Jed Lowrie**, **Jon Lester**, **Manny Delcarmen** and **Jonathan Papelbon**. Not to mention **Clay Buchholz** pitching a no-hitter during his September call-up.

**Easiest Spot in Baseball:** That would be left field at Fenway Park, because if it's hit that way only two things can happen: it's a homer that goes over the Wall or it comes right back to you with a chance to throw a guy out at second.

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## Your guide to kids' activities, from art to sports

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There are plenty of after-school activities being offered this fall, and now's the time to plan your kids' fun. Whether you're looking to get active with gymnastics, martial arts, dance, sports or horseback riding, or get artsy with theater, music or art, there's something for you.

### ART

**Beck's Arts Express** (89 Amherst St., Unit 25, Nashua, 566-1393, [artsexpressnh.com](http://artsexpressnh.com)) offers various art classes which

involve drawing, painting, clay and more, beginning in September. Classes are available for kids ages 2 and up and are held Tuesdays. The cost for small group lessons is \$15 per class. The costs for the six-week programs range from \$90 to \$114.

**Currier Art Center** (150 Ash St., Manchester, 518-4902, [currier.org](http://currier.org)) offers a variety of youth art classes which include painting, drawing, sculpting, cartooning, photography and mixed media, beginning Sept. 21. Classes are available for kids ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Thursday and Saturday. Programs are available in five-week and nine-week sessions. Call for cost details.

**E.W. Poore Frame Shop & Art Gallery** (775 Canal St., Manchester, 622-3802, [ewpoore.com](http://ewpoore.com)) offers drawing and painting classes beginning Sept. 19. Classes are available for kids ages 8 through 14 and are held on Saturday. The cost is \$108 for a six-week program with one two-hour class per week. Materials are included.

**Kimball-Jenkins School of Art** (266 N. Main St., Concord, 225-3932, [kimballjenkins.com](http://kimballjenkins.com)) offers a variety of youth art classes, which include drawing, sculpting, cartooning and more, beginning Sept. 15. Classes are available for kids ages 8 and up and are held on Tuesday through Thursday. The cost ranges from \$175 to \$240,

depending on the class.

**League of New Hampshire Craftsmen Nashua Retail Gallery** (98 Main St., Nashua, 595-8233, [nhcrafts.org/nashua](http://nhcrafts.org/nashua)) offers various fall workshops, including zentangle, rug hooking, beadweaving and more, beginning in September, as well as year-round classes, open to ages 12 and up. See website for schedule. Workshop costs range from \$20 to \$55.

**Paint pARTy** (63 Range Road, Suite 104, Windham, 898-8800, [paintpartynh.com](http://paintpartynh.com)) offers youth fine art classes, beginning in September. Classes are available for kids in grades 1 through 12 and are held Monday through Thursday. The cost is \$80





for a four-week program with one 90-minute class per week. All the supplies needed are included.

**The Refrigerator Door** (7 Chestnut Drive, Bedford, 781-8944, refrigerator-door.org) offers various after-school art classes as well as Sunshine Generation, a performing group where kids will learn music techniques, choreography and performance etiquette. Programs are available for kids ages 4 and up and are held Tuesday and Wednesday. Call for cost details.

**Studio 550 Art Center** (550 Elm St., Manchester, 232-5597, 550arts.com) offers kids clay class, teen paper arts class and teen pottery class at the beginning of every month. The clay class is open to ages 7 to 10 and costs \$75 for the four-week program. The teen classes are open to ages 10 to 14 and each cost \$95 for the four-week program.

**Susan Clement's Art Studio** (46 Townhouse Road, Suncook, 661-9306, susanclementsartstudio.com) offers beginner and intermediate drawing and oil painting classes, beginning Sept. 1. Classes are available for ages 7 to 16 and are held Monday through Thursday and Saturday. Classes are limited to four students. Call for cost details.

**Wild Salamander Creative Arts Center** (30 Ash St., Hollis, 465-9453, wildsalamander.com) offers various youth art classes and clubs, beginning Sept. 15. Classes are available for kids ages 3 and up and typically run for six weeks. Call for schedule and cost details.

## DANCE

**Allegro Dance Company** (100 Factory St., Nashua, 886-7989, allegrodancen.com) offers ballet, tap, boys-only, hip hop, musical theater, acro, jazz, lyrical and modern dance programs, beginning in September. Classes are available for kids ages 2 and up and are held Monday through Sat-

urday. Call for cost details. Open house dates are Aug. 30 and Sept. 3.

**Ameri-kids Baton Twirling Studio** (501 Daniel Webster Hwy., Merrimack; 351 Chester Road, Auburn, 391-2254, ameri-kids.org) offers baton and dance in recreational and competitive programs, beginning in September. Classes are available for kids ages 4 and up and are held on Monday at the Merrimack location and Thursday at the Auburn location. Call for cost details.

**Bedford Dance Center** (172 Route 101, Bedford, 472-5141, bedforddance-center.com) offers classes in ballet, pointe, pre-ballet, jazz, modern, hip-hop and tap dance programs, as well as private lessons, beginning Sept. 8. Classes are available for kids ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost ranges from \$42 to \$54 per month, depending on the number of class hours taken per week. A month of unlimited classes is \$250. Open house dates are Aug. 25 and Sept. 1.

**Broadway Bound Performing Arts Center** (501 Daniel Webster Hwy., Merrimack, 429-8844, broadwayboundpac.com) offers jazz, ballet, lyrical, hip-hop, boys only, baton, musical theater, tumbling, private lesson and special needs dance programs, as well as private voice and music lessons, beginning in September. Classes are available for kids ages 2 and up and are held Monday through Friday. Call for cost details.

**Capital City Dance Center** (128-J Hall St., Concord, 228-1012, capitalcitydance-center.com) offers tap, ballet, tumble, jazz and hip-hop in recreational and competitive programs, beginning on Sept. 9. Classes are available for kids ages 2 and up and are held Monday through Thursday and Saturday. The cost ranges from \$40 to \$115 per month, depending on the number of class hours taken. Open house dates are Aug. 22, Aug. 26 and Sept. 2.

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**CKC Dance Academy** (198 Londonderry Turnpike, Hooksett, 622-4252, ckcdance.com) offers ballet, pointe, lyrical, modern, jazz, tap, hip-hop, acro/tumble, creative movement and musical theater dance classes, a competitive team, and two new programs including an all-boys hip-hop and tap class Boyz Crew and the Dance Your Way program, which allows students to customize their dance classes. Classes are available for kids ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Thursday and Saturday. Call for cost details. Open house dates are Aug. 20 and Aug. 23.

**Concord Dance Academy** (26 Commercial St., Concord, 226-0200, concorddanceacademy.com) offers tap, jazz, ballet, lyrical, hip-hop, contemporary, pointe, combination dance and karate programs, beginning Sept. 14. Classes are available for kids ages 2 and up. Call for schedule details. The cost ranges from \$65 to \$285 per month, depending on the number of classes taken. Open house is Aug. 22.

**Creative Dance Workshop of Bow** (617 Route 3A, Unit 1&2, Bow, 225-7711, nhdances.com) offers tap, ballet, lyrical, jazz, hip-hop, musical theater and combination dance programs. Classes are available for kids ages 2 and up. Call for schedule and cost details. Open house is Sept. 1.

**Maia Solana's Dance School** (Salem, 661-3083, maiasdance.tripod.com) offers a traditional Hawaiian hula dance class for girls. Private, semi-private and regu-

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**Dance Academy of Windham** (288 N. Broadway, Salem, 893-9998, danceacademyofwindham.com) offers ballet, tap, jazz, contemporary, hip-hop, lyrical, Irish step, ballroom, improv, open acro and barre in recreational and competitive programs, beginning Sept. 8. Classes are available for various age groups and are held Monday through Saturday. Call for cost details.

**The Dance Company** (141 Route 101A, Unit 2B, Amherst, 864-8374, thedancecompanyonline.com) offers jazz, tap, ballet, lyrical, modern, musical theater, expressions, pointe, acrobatics and hip-hop dance programs, beginning in September. Classes are available for kids ages 2 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost ranges from \$40 to \$255 per month, depending on the number of class hours taken per week, plus a \$25 registration fee.

**Dance Concepts** (122 Bridge St., #3B, Pelham, 635-8131, danceconceptsnh.com) offers ballet, pointe, tap, jazz, hip-hop and acro classes as well as competitive dance programs, beginning Sept. 14. Classes are available for kids ages 2 and up. The cost ranges from \$30 to \$150 per month, depending on the number of class hours taken per week.

**Dance Connection Fitness & Performing Arts** (8 Rockingham Road, Windham, 893-4919, danceconnectionnh.com) offers jazz, tap, ballet, gymnastics, hip-hop and cheer dance programs, beginning in September. Classes are available for kids in various age groups. Call for schedule and cost details.

**The Dancing Corner** (23 Main St., Nashua, 889-7658, dancingcorner.com) offers pre-dance, ballet, pointe, jazz, tap, hip-hop and lyrical dance programs, beginning Sept. 9. Classes are available for kids ages 3 and up and are held Tuesday through Thursday and Saturday. The cost for a seven-week session ranges from \$95 to \$370, depending on the number of class hours taken per week, plus a \$30 registration fee.

**Dancesteps Etc.** (24 Buck St., Epsom, 736-9019, dancesteps-etc.com) offers jazz, tap, ballet/pointe, lyrical, hip-hop, ballroom and combination dance programs, beginning in September. Classes are available for kids ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Thursday and Saturday. The cost ranges from \$42 to \$172 per month, depending on the number of class hours taken per week. Open house dates are Aug. 22, Aug. 26 and Aug. 31.

**Dimensions in Dance** (84 Myrtle St., Manchester, 668-4196, dimensionsindance.com) offers ballet, theater dance, pointe, tap, acro-jazz, jazz, modern and lyrical dance programs, beginning Sept. 8.





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**Dance Inspirations** (248 Sheep Davis Road, Concord, 856-8545, [danceinspirations.com](http://danceinspirations.com)) offers tap, ballet, pointe, jazz, lyrical, hip-hop and acrobatics/tumbling programs, as well as private lessons, beginning in September. Classes are available for kids ages 2 and up and are held Monday through Thursday. The cost ranges from \$43 to \$296 per month, depending on the number of class hours taken per week, plus a registration fee of \$25. Private lessons are \$25 per 30-minute session.

**Dance Progressions** (109 Hillside Ave., Derry, 432-2129, [danceprogressions.com](http://danceprogressions.com)) offers ballet, jazz, tap, modern and hip-hop dance programs, beginning Sept. 14. Classes are available for boys and girls ages 2 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost ranges from \$55 to \$200 per month, depending on the number of class hours taken per week, plus a \$25 registration fee. Open house date is Aug. 29.

**Dance Studio of Manchester** (377 S. Willow St., Manchester, 669-1929, [dancestudiomanchester.com](http://dancestudiomanchester.com)) offers ballet, hip-hop, tap, jazz, contemporary, lyrical and pointe dance programs, beginning Aug. 31. Classes are available for kids ages 18 months and older and are held Monday through Saturday. Call for cost details. Open house dates are Aug. 27, Aug. 28 and Aug. 29.

**Gate City Ballet & Dance Center** (125 Northeastern Blvd., Nashua, 882-0011, [gatecityballet.com](http://gatecityballet.com)) offers tap, jazz, ballet, pointe, hip-hop, contemporary and modern dance programs, beginning Sept. 8. Classes are available for girls ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost ranges from \$20 to \$265 per month, depending on the number of class

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**Happy Feet Dance School** (25 Indian Rock Road, Windham, 434-4437, [happyfeetdanceschool.biz](http://happyfeetdanceschool.biz)) offers ballet, jazz, creative dance, hip-hop, pointe, contemporary and all-boys dance programs, beginning in September. Classes are available for kids ages 2 and up and are offered Monday through Thursday and Saturday. The cost is \$56 per month for one class per week. Open house date is Sept. 3.

**Kathy Blake Dance Studio** (3 Northern Blvd., Amherst, 673-3978, [kathyblakedancestudios.com](http://kathyblakedancestudios.com)) offers ballet, tap, jazz, hip-hop, contemporary, lyrical, modern, Irish step and theater dance classes as well as competition teams, beginning Sept. 11. Classes are available for kids ages 2 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost ranges from \$50 to \$66 per month, depending on the number of class hours taken per week, plus a \$25 registration fee.

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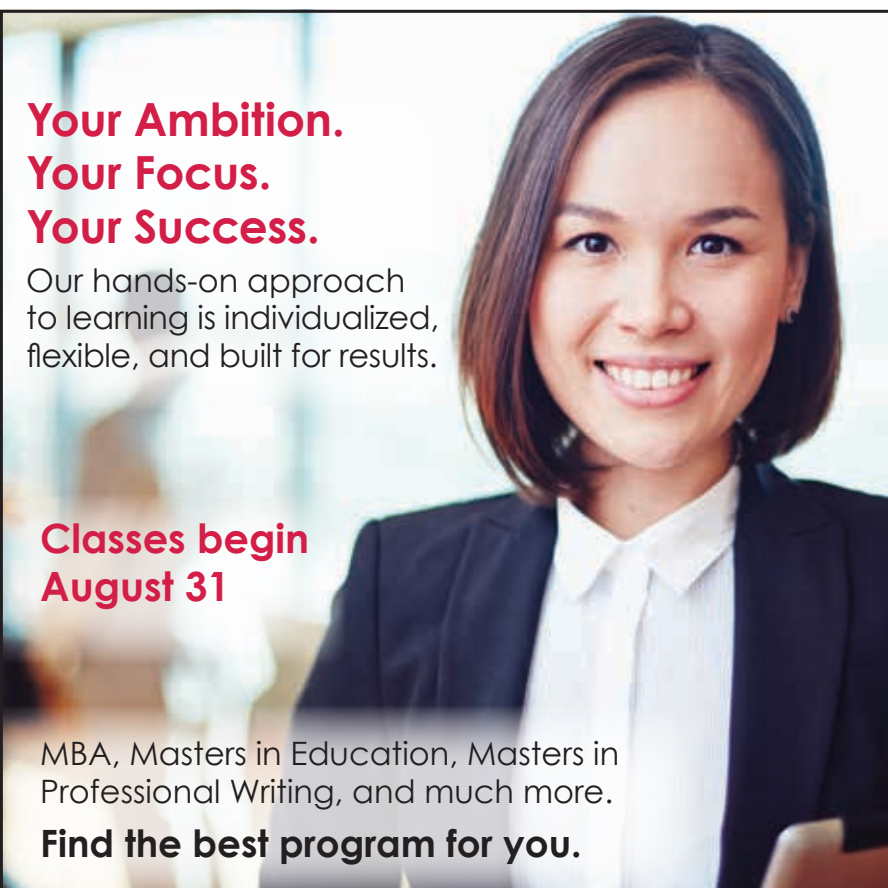
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**Miss Kelsey's Dance Studio** (2626 Brown Ave., Manchester, 606-2820, mkdance.com) offers tap, jazz, ballet, lyrical, musical theater, hip-hop, creative movement, acro and boys-only breakdancing programs, beginning Sept. 8. Classes are available for kids ages 2 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost ranges from \$43 to \$188 per month, depending on the number of class hours taken per week, plus a \$25 registration fee. Open house dates are Aug. 26, Aug. 29, Sept. 1 and Sept. 2.

**New England School of Dance** (679 Mast Road, Manchester, 935-7326, newenglandschoolofdance.com) offers ballet, tap, jazz, contemporary, modern, pointe, hip-hop and musical theater dance classes as well as a competitive team program, beginning Sept. 7. Classes are available for kids ages 7 and up and are held Monday through Friday. Call for cost details.

**New Hampshire Academie of Dance** (1 Action Blvd., Londonderry, 432-4041, nhadance.com) offers jazz, ballet, pointe, lyrical, tap, hip-hop, contemporary, acro, musical theater and private lessons, beginning in September. Classes are available for kids ages 18 months and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost ranges from \$55 to \$247 per month, depending on the number of class hours taken per week, plus a \$25 registration fee. Private lessons range from \$14 to \$28.

**New Hampshire School of Ballet** (183 Londonderry Tpke., Hooksett, 668-5330, nhschoolofballet.com) offers ballet, jazz, tap, modern, lyrical and tumbling programs, beginning Sept. 8. Classes are available for kids ages 2 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost is \$10 per one-hour class, paid monthly.

**N-Step Dance Center** (1134 Hooksett Road, Hooksett, 641-6787, nstepdance.com) offers recreational and competitive dance programs in tap, jazz, ballet, hip hop, tumbling, musical theater, lyrical, contemporary and breakdancing, beginning in September. Classes are available for kids ages 18-months and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost ranges from \$55 to \$225 per month, depending on the number of classes taken. Open house dates are Aug. 24, Sept. 1, 3, 10 and 13.

**Northern Ballet Theatre Dance Centre** (36 Arlington St., Nashua, 889-8408, nbtdc.com) offers ballet, tap, modern,

contemporary, jazz and musical theater programs, beginning Sept. 9. Classes are available for kids ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost ranges from \$56 to \$300 per week, depending on the number of class hours taken. A month of unlimited classes is \$360.

**Petit Papillon School of Ballet** (39 Green St., Concord, 746-2990, petitpapillon.org) offers ballet, creative movement and modern dance programs, beginning Sept. 14. Classes are available for kids ages 4 and up and are held Monday and Wednesday through Friday. The cost for a 10-month program ranges from \$476 to \$2,040, depending on the number of classes taken per week.

**Salem Dance Network** (160 Main St., Salem, 893-1082, salemdancenetwork.com) offers ballet, pointe, jazz, hip-hop, lyrical, modern, stretch & strength and children's combination classes, beginning Sept. 8. Classes are available for kids in various age groups and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost ranges from \$50 to \$150 per month depending on the number of class hours taken per week, plus a \$15 registration fee.

**Southern New Hampshire Dance Theater** (19 Harvey Road, Bedford, 637-4398, snhdt.org) offers pre-dance, ballet, tap, jazz, hip-hop, modern/contemporary and private lesson programs, beginning Sept. 8. Classes are available for boys and girls ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost ranges from \$118 to \$124 bi-monthly, or \$160 for 10 classes, plus a \$25 registration fee.

**Step Above Most Dance Studio** (310 Londonderry Turnpike, Hooksett, 666-0388, stepabovemo.com) offers ballet, jazz, tap, hip-hop, lyrical, contemporary and pointe dance in recreational and competitive programs, beginning Sept. 2. Classes are available for kids ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost is \$12 per one-hour class.

**Turning Pointe Center of Dance** (371 Pembroke St., Pembroke, 485-8710, turningpointecenterofdance.com) offers ballet, tap, jazz, pointe, lyrical, extra technique, combination and private dance classes as well as a performance team program, beginning Sept. 14. Classes are available for kids ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Thursday and Saturday. The cost ranges from \$45 to \$200 per month, depending on the number of classes taken. Private lessons are \$20 per 30-minute session.

**Voter's School of Dance and Gymnastics** (13 Delaware Drive, Salem, 893-5190, votersdance.com) offers tap, ballet, jazz, hip-hop, lyrical, pointe and Irish step dance programs, beginning in September. Classes are available for kids ages 3 and up and are held Tuesday through Saturday. Call for cost details.





## GENERAL

**Boys & Girls Club** (555 Union St., Manchester, 625-5031, mbgcnh.org; 47 Grand Ave., Nashua, 883-0253, bgnc.com; 3 Geremonty Drive, Salem, 898-7709, salembgc.org; 56 Mont Vernon Road, Milford, 672-1002, svbhc.org; 15 Shawmut St., Concord, 224-1061, concordkids.org; 40 E. Derry Road, Derry, 434-6695, derrybgclub.com) offers various before- and after-school programs for kids and teens, including sports, art, dance, technology, academic support and more. Programs vary at each location. Call your local branch or visit its website for details.

**Daniel Webster Council Boy Scouts of America** (571 Holt Ave., Manchester, 625-6431, nhscouting.org) is the center of information for Boy Scouts in New Hampshire.

**Girls Inc.** (39 Green St., Concord, 223-0087, girlsincnewhampshire.org) offers a girls-only after-school program that includes classes, leadership roles, health and fitness, arts and crafts, games and more. Call for details.

**Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains** (1 Commerce Drive, Bedford, 888-474-9686, girlscoutsgwm.org) offers programs for Daisies (kindergarten and first grade), Brownies (grades 2 and 3), Juniors (grades 4 and 5), Cadettes (grades 6 through 8), Seniors (grades 9 and 10) and Ambassadors (grades 11 and 12). In addition to outdoor and nature activities, the Girl Scouts offer art programs, sports programs, cooking programs and more.

**Hampshire Hills Athletic Club** (50 Emerson Road, Milford, 673-7123, hampshirehills.com) offers after-school programs for kids in grades K through 5. Programs involve free time activities group, sports skill center, homework help and nutritious snacks. After-school pick-up from area schools is also available. The cost is \$199 per month for five-day weeks.

Two-, three- and four- day weeks are also offered.

**The Culinary Playground** (16 Manning St., Suite 105, Derry, 339-1664, culinary-playground.com) offers cooking classes throughout the year for kids ages 3 and up. Call for details on upcoming programs.

**YMCA** (30 Mechanic St., Manchester, 623-3558, yogm.org; 15 N. State St., Concord, 228-9622, concordymca.org; 24 Stadium Drive, Nashua, 882-2011, and 6 Henry Clay Drive, Merrimack, 881-7778, nmymca.org; 206 Rockingham Road, Londonderry, 437-9622, graniteymca.org; 116 Goffstown Back Road, Goffstown, 497-4663, graniteymca.org) offers before- and after-school programs for kids and teens, including sports, art, dance, academic support and more. Programs vary at each location. Call your local branch or visit its website for details.

## GYMNASTICS

**A2 Gym & Cheer** (31 Pulpit Rock Road, Pelham, 635-4222, a2gc.com) offers recreational, tumbling, competitive team and private lesson programs, beginning Sept. 8. Classes are available for kids ages 18 months and up and are held Monday through Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. The cost for classes ranges from \$130 to \$210 per nine-week session, plus a \$40 registration fee. Thirty-minute and one-hour private lessons range from \$30 to \$100.

**Flipz Gymnastics** (14 Chenell Drive, Concord, 224-3223, flipzgymnastics.com) offers recreational, tumbling and competitive team programs as well as Ninja Challenge, an obstacle course program, beginning in September. Classes are available for girls and boys ages 18 months and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost for classes ranges from \$50 to \$75 per month with one class per week and \$95 to \$150 per month with two classes per week.

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**Granite State Gymnastics** (35 Londonderry Tpke., Hooksett, 935-9816, and 71 River Road, Bow, 228-8424, [granitestategymnastics.org](http://granitestategymnastics.org)) offers gymnastics, tumbling and tricking programs, beginning Aug. 24. The Hooksett location also offers ballet, jazz, tap and competitive and noncompetitive acro dance programs. The Bow location also offers tramp and parkour programs. Classes are available for boys and girls ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. Some classes allow drop-ins. The cost ranges from \$64 to \$128 per month, plus a \$45 registration fee.

**Gym-Ken Gymnastics** (184 Rockingham Road, Windham, 434-9060, [gymkengymnastics.com](http://gymkengymnastics.com)) offers gymnastics, cheer, tumbling, parkour and a girls' competitive team program, beginning Sept. 1. Classes are available for boys and girls ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost for classes ranges from \$165 to \$180 per 10-week session with one class per week.

**Gymnastics Village** (13 Caldwell Drive, Amherst, 889-8092, [gymnastics-village.com](http://gymnastics-village.com)) offers gymnastics programs, beginning Aug. 27. Classes are available for girls and boys ages 18 months and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost per one-hour class ranges from \$18.75 to \$25.90, plus a \$35 registration fee and a \$35 membership fee.

**Nashua School of Gymnastics** (30 Pond St., Nashua, 880-4927, [nsgonline.com](http://nsgonline.com)).



info) offers recreational and tumbling programs, beginning Aug. 31. Classes are available for boys and girls ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Thursday and Saturday. The cost for a 10-week program ranges from \$155 to \$255.

**New England Gymnastics Training Center** (5 Tracy Lane, Hudson, 880-8482, [negtc.com](http://negtc.com)) offers recreational, tumbling cheer, competitive team and private lesson programs, beginning in September. Classes are available for boys and girls ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost for classes is \$145 per eight-week session, plus a \$45 registration fee. One-hour private lessons cost \$40.

**Phantom Gymnastics** (142 Route 111, Hampstead, 329-9315, [phantomgymnastics.com](http://phantomgymnastics.com)) offers recreational, competitive team and tumbling programs, beginning Aug. 31. Classes are available for boys and girls ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost for a 13-week program ranges from \$195 to \$290.

**Seacoast Gymnastics Center** (10 N. Main St., Rochester, 332-9821, [seacoastgymnastics.com](http://seacoastgymnastics.com)) offers gymnastics, tumbling and ninja challenge programs as well as a competitive team, beginning in September. Classes are available for boys and girls ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost ranges from \$65 to \$170 per month, depending on the program.

**Spectrum Gymnastics** (26 Buttrick Road, Londonderry, 434-8388, [spectrum-gymnast.com](http://spectrum-gymnast.com)) offers programs, beginning Aug. 31. Classes are available for boys and girls ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. The cost for classes ranges from \$70 to \$89 per month, plus a \$45 yearly registration fee.

**Tumble Town Gymnastics** (444 E. Industrial Park Drive, No. 10, Manchester, 641-9591, [tumbletownnh.com](http://tumbletownnh.com)) offers recreational and competitive team programs, beginning in September. Classes are available for girls ages 4 and up and are held on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. The cost for classes ranges from \$75 to \$100 per month for one class per week. The cost for team programs ranges from \$125 to \$200 per month for one to four classes per week.

## HORSEBACK RIDING

**Apple Tree Farm** (Hollis, 465-9592, [appletreefarm.org](http://appletreefarm.org)) offers year-round group and private lessons for kids ages 4 and up. Beginner students will receive English balance seat instruction while advanced students will focus on eventing, which includes dressage, stadium jumping and cross-country. Lessons are held Tues-



day through Saturday. The cost is \$35 per 30-minute private lesson, \$65 per one-hour private lesson, and \$170 per month for group lessons.

**Boulder Brook Stables** (596 Calef Hwy., Lee, 659-9907, [boulderbrookstables.com](http://boulderbrookstables.com)) offers lessons in a variety of horseback riding disciplines and horse-related topics. One-hour group lessons are available for \$45 per lesson per rider, one-hour private lessons are \$55 per lesson, and half-hour lessons are \$35 a lesson and are intended for children ages 5 and under. Discounts are available if four lessons are pre-paid for.

**Bright Bay Farm** (296 Lane Road, Chester, 303-7567, [brightbayfarm.com](http://brightbayfarm.com)) offers year-round riding lessons to kids of all ages. Lesson packages are customized. Call for details.

**Chase Farms** (146 Federal Hill Road, Hollis, 400-1077, [chasefarmsnh.com](http://chasefarmsnh.com)) offers saddleseat group, semi-private and private lessons for kids ages 4 and up. The cost for a 30-minute group lesson is \$40, semi-private lesson is \$45 and private lesson is \$50. Lesson packages are also available.

**Educational Farm at Joppa Hill** (174 Joppa Hill Road, Bedford, 472-4724, [theeducationalfarm.org](http://theeducationalfarm.org)) offers private horsemanship lessons for kids ages 5 and up. Lessons cover topics like horse safety, handling, basic care, breeds, owning costs, grooming and classical riding techniques. The cost is \$40 per one-hour lesson, and lessons run once per week for a four-week series. The farm also offers one-hour educational farm tours throughout the year for kids of all ages. Tours introduce agricultural concepts and give kids a chance to interact with the animals. Tours cost \$5 per person.

**Fox Creek Farm** (Hollis, 236-2132, [foxcreek.farm](http://foxcreek.farm)) offers year-round group and private hunter/jumper lessons for all ages. A 30-minute private lesson costs \$50, and a one-hour group lesson costs \$40. A

Pony Lovers lesson package for kids ages 4 to 9 is also available.

**Gelinas Farm** (471 4th Range Road, Pembroke, 225-7024, [gelinasfarm.com](http://gelinasfarm.com)) offers year-round Western and Eastern, private or group riding lessons for all ages. The cost for a one-hour lesson is \$50.

**Halona Stables** (113b Mountain View Road, Deerfield, [halonastables.com](http://halonastables.com)) offers customized private horsemanship lessons. The cost for a 30-minute lesson is \$30, \$50 for one hour and \$15 for a one-hour practice riding session.

**High Gate Manor Farm** (159 Hampstead Road, Derry, 434-8779, [high-gatefarm.net](http://high-gatefarm.net)) offers lessons in English pleasure, hunter/jumper, eventing, dressage, Western and saddleseat. Call for details.

**Hillside Equestrian Farm** (24 Pasture Road, Auburn, 587-0191, [hillsideequestrianfarm.com](http://hillsideequestrianfarm.com)) offers private and semi-private lessons year-round for kids ages 3 and up with a focus on the Sally Swift method of center riding. Lessons will include instruction in horse care, grooming, tacking and untacking. The cost for a 30-minute lesson is \$40.

**Hollis Ranch** (Hollis, 465-2672, [hollis-ranch.com](http://hollis-ranch.com)) offers one-on-one lessons in English and Western disciplines. Lesson packages are customized. Call for details.

**LaBrie Stables** (49 Rod and Gun Club Road, Chester, 548-1265, [labriestables.com](http://labriestables.com)) offers private, semi-private and group riding lessons, as well as practice rides and kiddie lessons for kids ages 7 and younger. Specializations include gymkhana, barrel racing, pleasure, equitation, showmanship and trail and reining instruction. The cost ranges from \$25 to \$50 per lesson depending on the type and duration. Lesson packages are also available.

**Lucky 7 Stables** (154 Litchfield Road, Londonderry, 432-3076, [lucky7stables.com](http://lucky7stables.com)) offers year-round group and private riding lessons. Lessons are available for





kids ages 3 and up and are held seven days a week by appointment. Lessons include general care, cleaning, grooming, tacking and riding. The cost for a lesson ranges from \$30 to \$50 depending on the type and duration.

**Mack Hill Riding Academy** (3 Mack Hill Road, Amherst, 801-0958, mackhill.net) offers private and group riding lessons for kids of all ages. Disciplines include hunters, eventing, equitation, Western pleasure and horsemanship. The cost is \$50 per lesson. Lesson packages are also available.

**Rock Hill Stable** (104 Pelham Road, Hudson, 321-5628, rockhillstable.com) offers classes for beginner and advanced riders and teaches hunt seat, saddleseat and Western. Students will learn how to brush and tack horses and will learn horse safety. Beginners start with private lessons but can advance to group lessons. The cost is \$30 for a 30-minute lesson, \$50 for a one-hour lesson.

**Walnut Hollow Farm** (40 Walnut Hill Road, Amherst, 320-8530, walnuthollowfarm.com) offers year-round riding lessons for all ages. Lessons may focus on dressage, hunter/jumper and eventing. The cost is \$55 per lesson. Lesson packages are also available.

## MARTIAL ARTS

**Abaku Karate Academy** (336 Nashua St., Milford, 673-7687, abakukarateacademy.biz) offers year-round karate programs for kids ages 5 to 14 as well as family classes and private lessons. Classes are held Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. The cost is \$80 per month.

**Akiyama Martial Arts** (15 Londonderry Road, Unit 8, Londonderry, 247-8546, koryukan.us) offers the Bullyproof Kids program, beginning Sept. 1. In this class, kids ages 5 and up will learn practical self-defense through jujitsu, krav maga, kendo and karate techniques. Class is held Mon-

day and Wednesday. The cost is \$125 per month.

**Al Lima's School Studio of Self Defense** (216 Central St., Hudson, 595-9098, alssd.com) offers year-round kenpo karate and self-defense programs for kids and teens. Classes are held Monday through Thursday and Saturday. Free trial program is available. Call for cost details.

**Amherst Karate Studio** (Salzburg Square, Route 101, Amherst, 672-3570, mvkarate.com) offers kids and open family karate programs year-round. Fall sessions begin Sept. 8. Classes are held Monday through Saturday. A five-week trial program is available for \$59.

**ATA Martial Arts of Southern New Hampshire** (292 Route 101, Bedford, 472-4022, martialartsnewhampshire.com) offers various year-round martial arts programs for kids and teens ages 1 and up. Classes are held Monday through Saturday. Call for cost details.

**Bedford Martial Arts Academy** (334 Route 101, Bedford, 626-9696, bedfordmartialartsacademy.com) offers year-round karate classes for kids ages 3 and up. An after-school pick-up program is also available. Call for schedule and cost details.

**Capital City Tae Kwon Do** (75 Fisherville Road, Concord, 227-0555, capitalcitytkd.com) offers tae kwon do programs for kids and teens year-round. Kids' classes are open to ages 5 to 12, and adult classes are open to ages 12 and up. Classes are held Monday through Friday. An after-school pick-up program is also available for students of Beaver Meadow School and Penacook Elementary School. The cost ranges from \$60 to \$99 per month, depending on the program.

**Central Tae Kwon Do Academy** (222 Central St., Hudson, 882-5617, central-tkd.com) offers Tae Kwon Do youth programs year-round. Classes are available in three age groups for kids ages 3 and up and are held Monday through Thursday and Satur-

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**Chaos Martial Arts** (89 Fort Eddy Road, Concord, 369-4764, chaosnh.com) offers Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu classes for kids ages 6 to 10 on Saturdays year-round. The cost is \$50 per month.

**Checkmate Martial Arts** (250 Commercial St., Manchester, 666-5836, checkmateselfdefense.com) offers youth martial arts programs year-round. Classes are open to kids ages 5 to 11 and are held on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. The cost is \$99 per month.

**Chung's Taekwondo Academy** (115 Northeastern Blvd., Nashua, 883-2577, chungstkd.com) offers year-round tae kwon do programs for kids ages 4 and up. Classes are held Monday through Saturday. Cost ranges from \$62 to \$99.

**Eric Menard's Complete Martial Arts Academy** (295 Daniel Webster Hwy., Nashua, 888-0010, cma-martialarts.com) offers martial arts classes for boys and girls ages 4 and up. Call for schedule and cost details.

**Family Martial Arts of Pelham** (122 Bridge St., No. 6, Pelham, 635-8323, familymartialartsofpelham.com) offers year-round martial arts programs in three age groups for kids and teens ages 4 and up. Classes are held Monday through Wednesday. Call for cost details.

**Golden Crane Traditional Martial Arts** (46 Lowell Road, No. 6, Windham, 437-2020, golden-crane.com) offers year-round karate and weapons training in four age groups for kids and teens ages 5 and up. Classes are held Tuesday through Saturday. Call for cost details.

**Granite State Karate American Kenpo** (290 Derry Road, Unit 5, Hudson, 598-5400, gsakenpo.com) offers year-round kenpo karate classes for kids and teens ages 3 and up. Call for schedule and cost details.

**Kaizen Academy** (Raymond Shopping Center, Raymond, 895-1545, raymondkarate.com) offers year-round traditional martial arts programs. Classes are available in four age groups for kids and teens ages 3 through 16 and are held Monday through Thursday and Saturday. Programs start at \$59 per month.

**Karate International of Windham** (60 Rockingham Road, Windham, 898-5367, windhamkarate.com) offers a year-round karate program for kids and teens ages 7 to 16. Classes are held Monday through Saturday. Back-to-school special deals are available. Call for cost details.

**Kian Taekwondo** (6 S. Broadway, Salem, 894-5425, kiantkd.com) offers year-round tae kwon do and sparring programs for kids and teens ages 3 and up. Classes are held Monday through Saturday. Call for cost details.

**Lee's Martial Arts Center** (245 Maple St., Manchester, 623-1022, leesnh.com)

offers year-round tae kwon do programs for kids and teens ages 4 and up. Classes are held Monday through Friday. The cost is \$107 per month. An after-school pick-up program is also available for \$65 per week.

**Manchester Karate Studio** (24 Bridge St., Manchester, 625-5835, manchesterkarate.com) offers year-round karate classes for kids ages 3 and up as well as monthly kids' safety workshops. Classes are held Monday through Saturday. A trial program includes a uniform and three lessons for \$20.

**Team Link Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu** (553 Mast Road, Goffstown, 782-8915; 1338 Hooksett Road, Hooksett, 867-2923; 164 Burke St., Suite 102, Nashua, 496-8894, linkbjj.com) offers youth wrestling and martial arts programs. Call locations for details on their programs.

**The Martial Arts Zone** (31 Auburn St., Manchester, 206-5716, themartialartszone.perfectmind.com) offers year-round kids' jiu jitsu class on Tuesday and Thursday and kids' karate class on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Call for cost details.

**The National Karate Institute** (401 Main St., Suite 204, Salem, 205-1157, nkimartialarts.com) offers year-round karate programs for kids ages 3 and up. Call for class schedule details. The cost for a 10-week introductory session is \$199.

**Neil Stone's Karate Academy** (108 Route 13, Brookline, 672-8933, neilstoneskarate.com) offers karate programs for students of all ranks, beginning Aug. 24. Junior classes are available for kids ages 4 to 12 and adult classes are available for teens ages 12 and up. Classes are held Monday through Saturday. Call for cost details.

**Penacook School of Martial Arts** (15 Village St., Suite 6, Penacook, 753-4159, penacookkarate.com) offers year-round martial arts programs for kids and teens ages 4 and up as well as family classes and private lessons. Classes are held Monday through Saturday. The cost ranges from \$99 to \$129 per month, depending on the program.

**Professional Martial Arts Academy** (15 E. Broadway, Derry, 434-7995; 58 Range Road, Windham, 893-7990, pro-maacademy.com) offers kids karate and jiu jitsu programs, enrolling this month. Boys and girls classes are available for ages 4 to 7 and 8 to 12. Call for each location's schedule and cost details.

**Tokyo Joe's Studios of Self Defense** (143 W. Pearl St., Nashua, 889-4165; 20 Hammond Road, Milford, 672-2100, tokyojoes.net) offers kids' martial arts programs with an emphasis on self-defense, enrolling this month. Classes are available in four age groups for kids and teens ages 3 to 17 and are held Monday through Saturday. Call for each location's cost details.

**Salem Self Defense Center** (254 N.



Broadway, Suite 104, Salem, 890-3412, salemkravmaga.com) offers year-round self-defense and fitness programs for kids and teens. Kids' classes are open to ages 4 to 10, and teen classes are open to ages 11 to 15. Classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Membership in the center costs \$125 per month and includes unlimited classes.

**Shawn Pacheco's Professional Martial Arts Academy** (370 Daniel Webster Hwy., Merrimack, shawnpacheco.com) offers year-round kenpo karate programs for kids ages 4 and up as well as kickboxing for teens. Classes are held Monday through Thursday and Saturday. Free two-week back-to-school trial available to new students.

**Strikeback Dynamic Defense Systems** (454 Daniel Webster Hwy., Merrimack, 262-9299, strikebackdds.com) offers kenpo karate, sparring, cardio step and yoga programs year-round. Kids classes are open to ages 6 to 12, and teen classes are open to ages 13 to 17. Classes are held Monday through Saturday. Call for cost details.

**Taoist Arts Center** (472 Amherst St., Unit 15, Nashua, 943-5806, aohma.com) offers kenpo karate programs for kids ages 5 and up. Classes are held on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday. The cost is \$135 per month.

**The Training Station** (200 Elm St., Manchester, 505-0048, thetrainingstationnh.com) offers karate, kung fu and American kenpo programs, beginning in September. Classes are available for kids and teens ages 3 to 15 and are held Monday through Saturday. Call for cost details.

**World Class Martial Arts** (2 Palmer Drive, No. 8, Londonderry, 845-6115, londonderrymartialarts.com) offers karate and kenpo programs for kids ages 4 and up. Call for schedule details. The cost for programs is \$50 per month.

## MUSIC

**Amy Conley Music** (102 Elm St., Milford; 4 Raymond St., Nashua, 249-9560, amyconleymusic.com) begins its fall season on Sept. 17 with music programs for kids, including ukulele classes, Planet Earth Chorus and Music Together, as well as private guitar and ukulele lessons. The cost for each 10-week program is \$140. Private lessons are \$45 per one-hour session.

**Concord Community Music School** (23 Wall St., Concord, 228-1196, ccmusicschool.org) begins its fall season on Sept. 14 with private lessons, ensembles, early childhood programs, music therapy programs and choruses. Programs are available for kids ages 4 and up. Call for schedule and cost details.

**The Lidman Music Studio** (419 Amherst St., Suite 2B, Nashua, 882-5456,



lidmanmusic.com) offers private lessons in violin, viola and piano for kids ages 5 and up. Classes are held Monday through Friday. The cost is \$140 per month for one 30-minute class per week.

**Leddy Center School for the Performing Arts** (38 Ladds Lane, Epping, 679-2781, leddycenter.org) offers after-school lessons in voice, piano, guitar, brass/woodwind and musical theater, beginning in September. Programs are available for ages 5 and up and cost \$200 per semester. Kids can also audition for youth theater productions held throughout the year.

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**New Hampshire School of Scottish Arts** (various Manchester and Concord locations, 621-9949, [nhssa.org](http://nhssa.org)) offers various bagpipe, highland dance and pipe band drumming programs throughout the year. Call for current schedule and cost details.

**Ted Herbert Music School** (922 Elm St., Manchester, 669-9191, [tedherbert.com](http://tedherbert.com)) offers private half-hour sessions on all woodwind and brass instruments, orchestra instruments, guitar, banjo, bass, ukulele, percussion and drums, voice and piano. The cost is \$25 per lesson, plus a one-time \$25 registration fee.

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## SPORTS

**Amherst Soccer Club** ([amherstsoccerclub.com](http://amherstsoccerclub.com)) offers fall soccer for boys and girls, tots through U12. Cost ranges from \$185 to \$285. Registration is open through Sept. 1.

**Bedford Little League** ([bedfordll.com](http://bedfordll.com)) offers fall baseball and softball for boys and girls ages 8 to 11. Registration is open through Aug. 31.

**Concord Fencing Club** (224-3560, [concordfencingclub.org](http://concordfencingclub.org)) offers fencing classes for kids ages 7 and up, beginning Aug. 24. Call for registration details.

**Concord Sports Center** (2 Whitney Road, No. 1, Concord, 224-1655, [concordsportscenter.com](http://concordsportscenter.com)) offers basic and advanced, private and group baseball and softball lessons. The cost is \$70 for a one-hour private lesson, \$30 for a group lesson. Baseball leagues for this fall are full.

**Conway Arena** (5 Stadium Drive, Nashua, 595-2400, [conwayarena.com](http://conwayarena.com)) offers hockey lessons for boys and girls ages 5 to 9, beginning Sept. 29. Lessons are held on Tuesdays and Sundays, and the cost is \$349 for the 13-week program. Youth hockey teams for kids and teens ages 6 to 18 begin in September. Skating lessons for kids ages 3 and up begin Sept. 8. Lessons are available on Tuesday and Thursday, and the cost is \$125 for the eight-week program. An 11-week program for more advanced skaters begins Sept. 10 and costs \$220. Freestyle ice time is offered for kids of all ages Wednesday through Saturday for a \$15 admission fee, beginning Sept. 2.

**Derry Little League** ([derryll.org](http://derryll.org)) offers fall softball for ages 7 to 13 and baseball for ages 7 to 17. Cost ranges from \$50 to \$70. Registration is open through Sept. 5.

**Derry Soccer Club** ([derrysoccerclub.org](http://derrysoccerclub.org)) offers a fall soccer league for U4 to U18, beginning Sept. 12. Registration



costs range from \$10 to \$155.

**FieldHouse Sports** (12 Tallwood Drive, Bow, 226-4646, fieldhousesports.com) offers five-week soccer clinics for kids ages 3 to 6 on Saturdays, beginning Sept. 12. Six-week soccer clinics for kids ages 6 and up held on Monday begin Nov. 2. The clinics for ages 3 to 6 range from \$40 to \$50. Call for cost details for the 6-and-up clinic.

**Goffstown Junior Baseball** (goftown-jrbaseball.com) offers fall minor-league baseball for girls and boys as well as farm and tee-ball, beginning Sept. 12. Minor-league registration costs \$35, and farm and tee-ball costs \$10.

**Hollis/Brookline Junior Cavaliers Football & Cheer** (Hollis, hbjrcavs.com) offers fall football for U11 and kids in grades 7 and 8. Registration costs \$150 and is open through Sept. 1.

**The Icenter** (60 Lowell Road, Salem, 893-4448, the-icenter.com) offers skating lessons for kids ages 3 and up, beginning Sept. 9. Programs range from 13 to 14 weeks and \$224 to \$233.

**Manchester Junior Soccer League West** (mjslw.com) offers fall soccer for boys and girls U8 through U19. Registration is open through Aug. 22.

**MYA Girls Softball** (Merrimack, myasoftball.com) offers fall girls' softball for ages 8 through 16, beginning Sept. 1. The cost to register is \$40. Registration remains open through Sept. 5.

**My Gym** (410 South River Road Bedford, 668-7196, mygym.com) offers various fitness classes year-round for kids ages six-weeks to 10 years. Call for current schedule and cost details.

**The Nashua Swim & Tennis Club** (140 Lock St., Nashua, 883-0153, nashuaswimandtennis.com) offers the Tennis Express program for ages 10 and under, and High Impact Tennis for ages 11 to 13, beginning the second week of September. Tennis Express is a 10-week program held on Monday and Wednesday that guides kids through the early stages of their tennis development. High Impact Tennis is a 10-week program for intermediate players, held on Monday and Thursday. Private lessons are also offered. Programs are \$150. Private lessons are \$65.

**New England School of Archery** (Bow and other locations, 674-2845, nearchery.com) offers archery lessons for kids ages 8 and up. Program includes a one one-hour class per week for up to eight-weeks. One-day clinics are also available. Classes are offered year-round in Bow, but instructors travel to various locations upon request. Call for details.

**New Hampshire Sportsplex** (68 Technology Drive, Bedford, 641-1313, nhsportsplex.com) offers soccer classes for kids ages 18 months to 7, beginning Sept. 14. Lacrosse lessons for ages 4 to 8, youth boys and girls indoor lacrosse leagues, kids field hockey lessons, tee-ball for ages 3 to



7, a basketball program for ages 2 to 7 and a hockey program for ages 3 to 8 all begin Sept. 14. Youth flag football is offered in November. Costs vary depending on the program. Call for details.

**The Phanzone** (142 State Route 111, Hampstead, 329-4422, thephanzone.com) offers recreational and competitive boys' and coed indoor soccer leagues as well as drop-in soccer games beginning in September and November. Teams range from U6 to high school. Call for details.

**Salem Youth Baseball** (salemyouth-baseball.net) offers fall baseball for ages 5 and up. The team for ages 5 and 6 costs \$50, and the older teams cost \$110. Registration is open through Sept. 17.

**Salem Youth Soccer Association** (salemsoccer.com) offers fall tot soccer for ages 3 and 4, TOPSoccer for ages 4 to 18 with disabilities, and recreational soccer for U6 to U15. TOPSoccer is free to register, tot soccer is \$95 and recreational is \$150. Registration is open through Sept. 8.

**Seacoast Fencing Club** (271 Wilson St., Manchester, 261 N. Main St., Rochester, 428-7040, seacoastfencingclub.org) offers beginner and intermediate fencing classes for kids and teens ages 7 and up. Classes are held on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday at the Manchester location and Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday at the Rochester location. Programs range from nine weeks to three months in length. The cost ranges from \$210 to \$276 depending on the program.

**SportsZone** (7 A St., Derry, 537-9663, nhsportszone.com) offers a recreational coed soccer league and competitive boys' and girls' soccer leagues for U8 through high school, beginning Oct. 3. Call for details.

**Tri-Town Ice Arena** (311 W. River Road, Hooksett, 485-1100, tri-townicearena.com) offers hockey lessons for kids ages 4 to 10,

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beginning Sept. 16. The cost for the program is \$159, and classes are held on Wednesday and Saturday. A hockey league for kids 4 to 10 begins Sept. 16, meets Wednesdays and Saturdays and costs \$500. Kids ages 10 and up can join the house hockey league beginning Sept. 26. Team meets Saturdays and Sundays, and the cost is \$675. Girls U10 hockey league begins in September, meets twice a week and costs \$800 to join. Skating lessons for all ages begin Sept. 9 and are available Monday through Wednesday. Call for cost details. A junior figure skating club begins Sept. 9 and costs \$200 for an eight-week program.

## THEATER

**Bedford Youth Performing Company** (155 Route 101, Bedford, 472-3894, [bypc.org](http://bypc.org)) offers dance, music and theater group and private classes for kids of all ages, beginning Aug. 31. Dance lessons include ballet, tap, jazz, acro, hip-hop, lyrical, contemporary, modern and pre-pointe. Music classes include voice, piano, violin, guitar, percussion and cello. Theater classes include acting and musical theater performance. Call for cost details.

**Kid's Coop Theatre** (Londonderry, [admin@kids-coop-theatre.org](mailto:admin@kids-coop-theatre.org), [kids-coop-theatre.org](http://kids-coop-theatre.org)) offers youth theater productions throughout the year open to ages 8 to 18. The next production is *Mary Poppins* in November, with auditions on Aug. 30. Rehearsals are held 10 hours per week on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday. The cost to be in a production is \$120.

**The Majestic Academy of Dramatic Arts** (922 Elm St., Suite 315, Manchester, 669-7469 [majestictheatre.net](http://majestictheatre.net)) offers private lessons in acting, piano, voice and audition preparation for all ages. The cost is \$23 per 30-minute session and \$40 per one-hour session.

**New Hampshire Theatre Project** (959 Islington St., No. 3, Portsmouth, 431-6644, [nhtheatreproject.org](http://nhtheatreproject.org)) offers workshops and theatre camps for kids ages 6 and up. Young actors can audition for the highly selective Junior Repertory Company for ages 10 to 15 and Senior Repertory Company for ages 13 to 17. Audition dates are Sept. 7 and 9. The junior program costs \$725, and the senior program costs \$800.

**Palace Theatre** (80 Hanover St., Manchester, 688-5588, [palacetheatre.org](http://palacetheatre.org)) offers the Palace Youth Theatre and Palace Teen Company for ages 8 to 18. Productions are held throughout the year. Upcoming productions include *Honk!* in October and *101 Dalmatians Kids* in November. Call for audition details. Actors will receive extensive musical theater training through acting, singing, dance classes and workshops as well as audition training and performance experience. Most productions have rehearsals two to three times per week. Call for cost details.

**Peacock Players** (14 Court St., Nashua, 886-7000, [peacockplayers.org](http://peacockplayers.org)) offers theater, music, dance and private studio classes for kids in kindergarden and up, as well as theater productions. The next production is *Pinocchio* in October, with auditions on Aug. 31 and Sept. 1. Rehearsals are held on Thursday and Friday. The cost for 10-week theater, music and dance classes is \$150.

**Seacoast Repertory Theater** (125 Bow St., Portsmouth, 433-4793, [seacoastrep.org](http://seacoastrep.org)) offers theater and theater dance classes, beginning Sept. 13. Classes are available for kids ages 4 and up and are held Monday through Saturday. Actors ages 5 to 16 can audition for Youth Workshop Productions, held four times a year. The next audition is in September. The cost to be part of a production is \$95. Call for class cost details.



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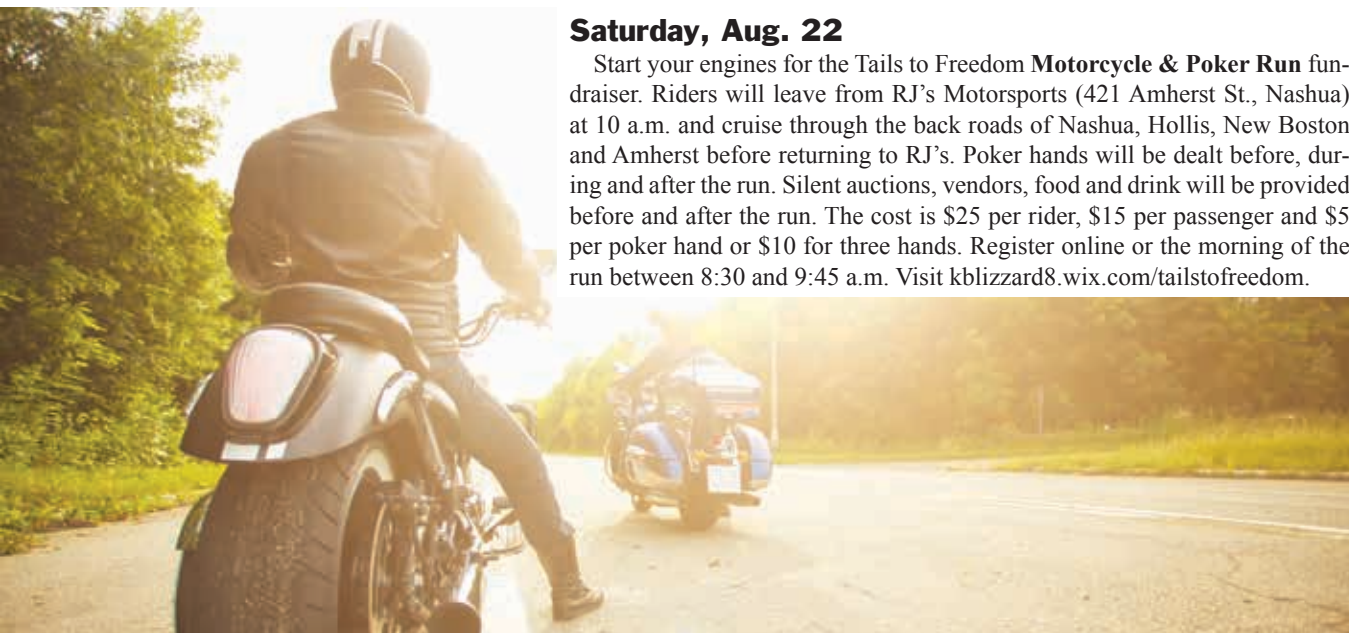
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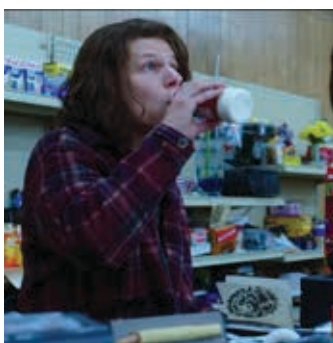


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The **Third Annual Gate City Brewfest** will be held at Holman Stadium (67 Amherst St., Nashua) on Saturday, Aug. 22, from 1 to 5 p.m. Enjoy a day of beer-tasting with local and regional craft breweries, a wing competition between local restaurants, live music, games and entertainment for the whole family. Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$30 the day of the event and free for children ages 12 and under. Call 718-8883 or visit [nashuasilverknights.com](http://nashuasilverknights.com).



## Friday, Aug. 21

Get a clue at the Majestic Theatre's (922 Elm St., Manchester) production of **CLUE: The Musical**, held Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Based on the classic whodunnit board game, this interactive musical invites the audience to help solve the mystery of who killed Mr. Boddy, in what room and with what weapon. Tickets cost \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors and \$12 for ages 17 and younger. Tickets are available for purchase online at [majestictheatre.net](http://majestictheatre.net).

## Friday, Aug. 21

**American Ultra** hits theaters today. Mike Howell is a small-town stoner by day, but what he doesn't know is that he's been trained by the CIA to be a lethal killing machine by night. When the agency targets him for termination, he must uncover his latent skills to save himself and his girlfriend. Starring Jesse Eisenberg, Kristen Stewart and Topher Grace.

## Wednesday, Aug. 26

**Fred Marple**, creator of Frost Heaves, will be at the Wadleigh Memorial Library (49 Nashua St., Milford) from 6:30 to 8 p.m. to talk about his book *Welcome to Frost Heaves*, a humorous collection of stories and news from the imaginary New Hampshire town. The book will be available for purchase and signing. Visit [wadleighlibrary.org](http://wadleighlibrary.org).

## Thursday, Aug. 27

Put down the coffee and head to Beaver Brook (117 Ridge Road, Hollis) for an herb workshop, **Energizing Caffeine-free Herbal Alternatives**, from 6 to 9 p.m. Topics include the social norms associated with caffeine, the effects of caffeine on the body and herbal alternatives to caffeine. Students will make their own energizing herbal concoctions to take home. The cost is \$20. Visit [beaverbrook.org](http://beaverbrook.org) to register.

## Eat: A cigar dinner

The Bedford Village Inn (2 Olde Bedford Way, Bedford) is partnering with Blow-in' Smoke cigar shop for its **Ninth Annual Cigar Dinner** on Thursday, Aug. 27, at 6 p.m. The evening will begin with fine cigars, several selections of grilled hors d'oeuvres along with oysters and a hand-carved station, followed by several courses, accompanied by cigars, wine or paired beverages. Additional cocktails will be available at the outdoor service bar on a cash basis. The cost is \$125 per person, and reservations are required. Visit [bedfordvillageinn.com](http://bedfordvillageinn.com) or call 472-2001.

## Be merry: With beachy family fun

Friday, Aug. 21, is the final day of the **Hampton Beach Children's Festival**. Head to Ocean Boulevard for non-stop activity, entertainment, mini-golf, a Ronald McDonald show, free ice cream, dancing, storytellers, balloons and more. The festival will end with the Giant Costume Parade, which marches the length of the beach. Every participating child will get a prize. Call 926-8717 or visit [hamptonbeach.org](http://hamptonbeach.org).

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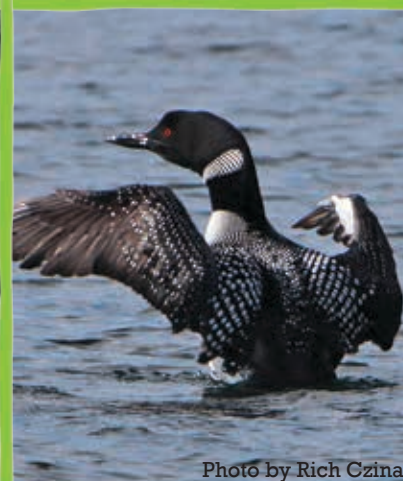


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# ARTS

## Moving music

### Genesys Theater's take of *Songs for a New World*

By Kelly Sennott  
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*Songs for a New World* doesn't have a standard storyline. It features plain costumes, minimal sets and basic special effects. Between songs, dialogue is non-existent.

To an outsider, the play most resembles a cabaret, except it's not at all like a cabaret, say members of Genesys Theater, the new performing arts company putting the show on this weekend. In a cabaret, singers are performing strictly to the audience and each song is a standalone.

In *Songs for a New World* by Jason Robert Brown, all the music works together. The songs' commonality: they feature specific, pivotal moments in a person's life that can change everything.

"[Brown's] writing is a lot different from a lot of musical theater. In this show in particular — though I love musicals that have a written dialogue — the amazing thing about this one is that it has to tell its whole story with nothing but music," Musical Director Heather MacRobie said between rehearsals last week at the YMCA in Merrimack.

The effect, she said, is subtle but moving. The first time she heard a song from the play



Mia Berardi at a rehearsal for Genesys Theater's rendition of *Songs for a New World*. Hannah Benson photo.

was at a Factory 57 revue about 10 years ago. Barbara Lawler (also in this rendition) had performed "Stars and the Moon," about a woman looking back at her past suitors, realizing she's sacrificed love for money.

"I was really taken by it, and kind of on the edge of my seat when I first heard it," MacRobie said. "Because that's a lot of women's debates, especially when they're younger. Do I want the artistic guy or do I want the accountant with the big house? So that was one of the songs that's really always spoken to me. ... But I feel that [the musical] is more open to interpretation. It's more subtle, but therefore more universal."

This production, which happens at the Janice B. Streeter Theater, is spearhead-

ed by company founders Rick Brooks and Tom and Deb Ritrovato, who met one another years ago at an Edmund Keefe Auditorium play. It's not their first Genesys project; a few years back, they put on an alternative rock musical in Nashua. Activity after that was nil.

"We just never did anything," Brooks said. "Finally, this spring we said, 'Let's just do it!' I got dates at the theater. I got the rights. And we got a great cast to come audition."

Which is half the battle, particularly for a music-heavy show like this; last year, Genesys Theater attempted to produce *Bat Boy: The Musical*, but they were unable to cast all parts.

"So we just said fine, we're not going to do it, because we didn't want to put people in roles they weren't good for," Brooks said.

Cast members include Mia Berardi, Erica McIntyre, Lawler, Huey Paul Gauthier Jr., Brad Fernald and Stuart Harmon. Though there's less emphasis on things like blocking or memorizing lines, Berardi said the difficulty of the music makes up for it, from its intricate harmonies to its challenging rhythms.

Though there is no single overarching storyline, each song tells an individual story. In one, a wealthy wife climbs out onto the window ledge of her 57th-story apartment to get her neglectful husband's attention. In another, a woman reacts with wonder and joy at the discovery of her pregnancy, and in another, a dead soldier sings as his body is flown home.

Accompanying the singers will be a band (two keyboards, drums and bass) and effects courtesy of Brooks, with a "big old sound system," dry ice and lots of lights. He hopes this will be the first of many productions this season.

*Songs for a New World* marks Tom Ritrovato's directorial debut; a behind-the-scenes guy for years and years, he had always said he's just not the director type.

"But I did always say that if there's one show I want to direct, this is the show," Tom Ritrovato said. "When I first heard about it, it just captivated me. It's not a book show. ... It's a collection of songs. ... You can stage it almost any way you want because you're not confined to 'you have to tell the story this way.'" 🌈

#### See *Songs for a New World*

**Where:** Janice B. Streeter Theater, 14 Court St., Nashua

**When:** Friday, Aug. 21, at 8 p.m.; Saturday, Aug. 22, at 8 p.m.; Sunday, Aug. 23, at 2 p.m.

**Admission:** \$18-\$20

**Contact:** genesystheater.com

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Includes listings, shows, auditions, workshops and more. To get listed, e-mail arts@hippopress.com.

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#### Theater

##### Productions

• **BORN YESTERDAY** Peterborough Players production. Through Aug. 23. Showtimes Fridays through Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 4 p.m., Tuesdays through Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. Peterborough Players Theatre, 55 Hadley Road, Peterborough. \$39. Visit peterborough-players.org, call 924-7585.

• **ALICE IN WONDERLAND** Palace Theatre youth production. Thurs., Aug. 20, at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Palace Theatre, 80 Hanover St., Manchester. \$9. Visit palacetheatre.org, call 668-5588.

• **THAT REMINDS ME OF A STORY** Presentation/entertain-

ment by Rebecca Rule, part of ACT ONE Festival. Thurs., Aug. 20, at 2 p.m.; Fri., Aug. 21, at 8 p.m. West End Studio Theatre, 959 Islington St., Portsmouth. \$20. Visit actonenh.org, call 300-2986.

• **PETER PAN** Prescott Park Arts Festival outdoor production. Showtimes are most Thursdays through Sundays, June 26 through Aug. 23. Prescott Park, 105 Marcy St., Portsmouth. Admission by donation, space at first-come, first-served basis. Visit prescottpark.org.

• **AVENUE Q** Seacoast Rep production. Now through Sept. 13, Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 2 and 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Sea-

coast Repertory Theatre, 125 Bow St., Portsmouth. \$22-\$30. Visit seacoastrep.org.

• **SONGS FOR A NEW WORLD** Inaugural production by new local theater company; written by Jason Robert Brown. Fri., Aug. 21, at 8 p.m.; Sat., Aug. 22, at 8 p.m.; Sun., Aug. 23, at 2 p.m. Janice B. Streeter Theater, 14 Court St., Nashua. \$18-\$20. Visit genesystheater.com.

• **CLUE: THE MUSICAL** Majestic Theatre production. Fri., Aug. 21, at 7 p.m.; Sat., Aug. 22, at 7 p.m.; Sun., Aug. 23, at 2 p.m. Majestic Theatre, 922 Elm St., Manchester. \$20. Visit majestictheatre.net, call 669-7469.

• **THAT DARN PLOT!** Production part of ACT ONE's Summer Festival. Sat., Aug. 22, at 2 and 8 p.m. West End Studio Theatre, 959 Islington St., Portsmouth. \$20. Visit actonenh.org, call 300-2986.

• **MIDSUMMER NIGHT QUEENS: THE RU-TURN** Full drag revue starring regional drag queens, headlined by contestants from *Ru Paul's Drag Race*. Part of theater's Red Light Series. Sun., Aug. 23, at 7:30 p.m.; Sun., Aug. 30, at 7:30 p.m. Seacoast Repertory Theatre, 125 Bow St., Portsmouth. \$25. Visit seacoastrep.org, call 433-4472.

• **LETTICE & LOVAGE** ACT ONE Festival production. Thurs., Aug. 27, at 2 p.m.; Fri.,

Aug. 28, at 8 p.m.; Sat., Aug. 29, at 2 and 8 p.m.; Sun., Aug. 30, at 2 p.m.; Fri., Sept. 4, at 8 p.m.; Sat., Sept. 5, at 2 and 8 p.m. West End Studio Theatre, 959 Islington St., Portsmouth. \$20. Visit actonenh.org.

• **QUESTIONS IN A QUIET CAFE** Little Church Theater production written by Lowell Williams. Thurs., Aug. 27, at 8 p.m.; Fri., Aug. 28, at 8 p.m.; Sat., Aug. 29, at 8 p.m. The Little Church Theater, 40 Route 113, Holderness. \$20-\$25. Visit littlechurchtheater.com, call 968-2250.

• **AMERICAN IDIOT** Nashua Actorsingers production. Rated R for mature content, adult language. Fri., Aug. 28, at 8 p.m.;

Sat., Aug. 29, at 8 p.m.; Sun., Aug. 30, at 7 p.m.; Thurs., Sept. 3, at 8 p.m.; Fri., Sept. 4, at 8 p.m.; Sat., Sept. 5, at 8 p.m. Janice B. Streeter Theater, 14 Court St., Nashua. \$18-\$20. Visit actorsingers.org, call 320-1870.

• **PALACE THEATRE SILVER STARS: THE NIFTY FIFTIES** Senior troupe production. '50s style revue. Fri., Sept. 4, at 7 p.m.; Sat., Sept. 5, at 1 p.m. Palace Theatre, 80 Hanover St., Manchester. \$10. Call 668-5588.

• **A TRAVELING TOY THEATRE FESTIVAL** Pontine Theatre production; Trudi Cohen and John Bell, members of Great Small Works, team up with Facto Teatro from Mexico



# LOCAL COLOR —

NH art world news

• **New exhibition at Mill Brook Gallery:** On view now through Oct. 11 at the Mill Brook Gallery & Sculpture Garden (236 Hopkinton Road, Concord, 226-2046, themillbrookgallery.com) is "New Artists' Paintings and Sculptures," an indoor exhibition featuring work by painters David Drinon, Debbie Kinson, Earl Schofield, Ian Torney and Laurence Young and sculptor Beverly Benson Seamans. These artists present a variety of styles, media and experience, from current students to heads and directors of New England art departments. There's a reception Thursday, Sept. 17, from 5 to 7 p.m.

• **First residency at 3S Artspace:** Just a few months after its opening, 3S Artspace (319 Vaughan St., Portsmouth, 766-3330) hosts Colony of Light, a collection of renowned artists, filmmakers and musicians from all over the U.S., for a residency that lasts Aug. 16 through Aug. 26. They'll present their recent works to the public during a two-part program of 16mm films; one screening happens this weekend, on Saturday, Aug. 22, at 7:30 p.m. (doors open at 7 p.m., tickets \$5, 3Sarts.org).

• **New officers:** The New Hampshire Creative Club has new officers to begin its 28th season: Amber-Nicole Cannan, medical illustrator and creative media designer, serves as president, and Karen Mayeu, chair of the NH Institute of Art graphic



"Encroaching Day" by Laurence Young, on view at the Mill Brook Gallery & Sculpture Garden.

design department, is the new vice president. (They will replace outgoing President Peter Noonan.) NHCC officially kicks off with Headshots and Networking Sept. 15 at Althea Haropulos' Photography Studio in Manchester; email info@nhcreativeclub.org, visit nhcreativeclub.org or call 382-5530.

• **Fundraising started for John Gilbert Winant sculpture:** Some of Winant's roles included governor of New Hampshire and ambassador to England during World War II, and to commemorate, there will be a memorial bronze statue of Winant, coat over arm and hat in hand, at the front of the New Hampshire State Library, 20 Park St., Concord. Winant was also a graduate of St. Paul's School, a decorated pilot during World War I, first head of the Social Security Administration, and he led the International Labor Organization in the years leading up to World War II. Missouri artist Brett Grill will create the likeness. For details on the memorial and to learn how to contribute, visit winantmemorial.org. — *Kelly Sennott*

City and Barbara Steinitz from Berlin. Tues., Sept. 8, at 7 p.m. West End Studio Theatre, 959 Islington St., Portsmouth. \$18. Visit pontine.org, email info@pontine.org, call 436-6660.

## Auditions/open calls

• **AUDITIONS: 70, GIRLS,** 70 Pittsfield Players production. Several parts for men and women, even those under age 70. Sun., Aug. 23, at 7 p.m. and Mon., Aug. 24, at 7 p.m. The Scenic Theatre, 6 Depot St., Pittsfield. Call 435-8852, visit pittsfieldplayers.com.

• **AUDITIONS: PETER PAN** Manchester Community Theatre Players auditions. Sun., Aug. 23, 1-4 p.m., Mon., Aug. 24, 6-8 p.m. Temple Adath Yeshurun, 152 Prospect St., Manchester. Call 361-2679, visit mctcp.info.

## Workshops/other

• **FRIENDS OF THE CONCORD CITY AUDITORIUM 25TH ANNUAL PITCH IN** Volunteer barn-raising, season cleaning event. Mon., Aug. 24,

through Wed., Aug. 26, 9 a.m.-noon and 6-9 p.m. daily. Concord City Auditorium, 2 Prince St., Concord. Call 219-0407 or just show up.

## Art

### Events

• **NEW HAMPSHIRE ART ASSOCIATION MEMBER JURYING** Jurying event for one of oldest statewide art associations in the country, consisting of more than 250 members of all media. Submissions due by Sat., Aug. 22, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Pick-up time is Sun., Aug. 23, 1-4 p.m. All delivery of submissions of work at gallery. Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, 136 State St., Portsmouth. Visit nhartassociation.org, call 431-4230.

### Openings

• **A.J. LABRIE** Featured student artist at The Student Corner at Twigg's Gallery. Artwork on view Aug. 21 through Sept. 30. Reception Fri., Aug. 21, 5-7 p.m. Twigg's Gallery, King St., Junction Route 3&4, Boscawen.

Call 975-0015, visit twigsgallery.wordpress.com.

• **"CELEBRATING FLIGHT"** Art show juried by Bruce McColl. Featuring 30 pieces of photography, digital media, sculpture, paintings, drawings. On view Sept. 4 through Oct. 18. Reception Fri., Sept. 4, 6-8 p.m. Aviation Museum of NH, 27 Navigator Road, Londonderry. Visit aviationmuseumofnh.org, call 669-4820.

• **"BEYOND THE CALIFORNER: ADELAIDE MURPHY TYROL"** Art show. On view Sept. 8 through Oct. 9. Reception Fri., Sept. 11, 5-7 p.m. McGowan Fine Art, 10 Hills Ave., Concord. Visit mcgowanfineart.com, call 225-2515.

• **LABELLE WINERY ART COMMISSION UNVEILING, LECTURE, RECEPTION** Reception celebrating/unveiling art by master carver William Schnute. Sun., Sept. 13, at 3 p.m. LaBelle Winery, 345 Route 101, Amherst. Free; registration required. Visit labellewinery-events.com.



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ARTS

# Monster hunt

Studio 550 owner Monica Leap hides them Aug. 22



Monica and her daughter Leah making monsters. Kelly Sennott photo.

By Kelly Sennott  
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Every summer around this time, Studio 550 owner Monica Leap becomes the Santa Claus of August — except instead of leaving presents, she leaves little clay monsters, and instead of under a Christmas tree, she scatters them around downtown Manchester's nooks and crannies.

This year she'll go out Friday, Aug. 21, in the middle of the night (or early morning the next day; she wouldn't give an exact time). The 100 little "creatures with eyeballs," each unique and handmade, will sit on windowsills and in crevices, park benches, flower planters — places easily visible to pedestrians in the heart of downtown, along main and side streets. The critters, smaller than your hand, hide in places people see every day but don't give a second glance to.

The idea for the scavenger hunt popped into Leap's head her first year of business. Those initial monster releases didn't have crowds of people collecting their winnings (if you find one, you get to pull a prize from a bowl at the studio or collect a chocolate coin from Dancing Lion, or both) probably because they didn't know it was a thing.

Now in its third go, Leap hopes the pub-

lic has caught on. Besides waking up super early (or going to bed super late), it takes many hands to coordinate. She gets help via a monster-making pizza party and also from a handful of studio teachers, members and family (her husband, Alexander Metzger, and brother Nick Leap pitched in too).

The finished monsters are horned, tailed, many-legged and crazy-eyed. One had a golf ball body.

"They're all unique — every single one is different. And because we usually have a different group of people making them, they change [every year] as far as style goes," Leap said during an interview at the studio. "They're really fun. They're very random."

Leap takes two photos of each; one before hidden, and then one in the hiding spot. Normally they disappear within days.

"I put [the monsters] in different places all the time. Whenever I go walking, I find good monster hiding spots. Windowsills, little crevices between the columns of a building. An old pipe or old telephone booths," she said. "We usually give it two weeks. But some people will bring them in later, and that's fine too. I usually go out to check on them a couple of times throughout the course of the weekend."

This year's event coincides with Intown Manchester's Family Fest (on Saturday, Aug. 22, at Veterans Park, with a "Where the Wild Things Are" theme — read more about that in the Hippo's Inside/Outside section).

"This weekend, we're putting them out on Saturday, whereas in other years, we put them out Sunday. We're also doing it during Intown Family Fest so there will be lots of families [involved]," Leap said. "It's about seeing your city in a different way. And it's a little about playing like a kid again and just having fun." 🐾

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Notes from the theater scene

• **Pirate sail, then Neverland:** The Prescott Park Arts Festival partners with The Gundalow Company for a Pirate Sail Adventure prelude to the *Peter Pan* outdoor production on Saturday, Aug. 22, from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. On board will be pirates from the cast of *Peter Pan* and festive activities in collaboration with Pickwick's Mercantile, as described in the release. Guests will hear tales of the seven seas and search for hidden treasures aboard. Later that day, those pirates, plus Peter, Wendy, John and Michael, will be onstage at Prescott Park, starting at 8 p.m. The sail, recommended for kids of all ages, is \$30 per person, and admission to the musical is by donation. Visit [prescottpark.org](http://prescottpark.org), call 436-2848 or email [hello@prescottpark.org](mailto:hello@prescottpark.org).

If you'd rather experience Neverland onstage, the Manchester Community Theatre Players also hold auditions this weekend, on Sunday, Aug. 23, from 1 to 4 p.m., and Monday, Aug. 24, from 6 to 8 p.m., at Temple Adath Yeshurum, 152 Prospect St., Manchester. Visit [mctp.info](http://mctp.info), call 361-2679, email [steven.b.short@gmail.com](mailto:steven.b.short@gmail.com). Showtimes are Nov. 13 through Nov. 22. Auditions are open to ages 7 to 100, and actors should prepare 16 bars of an up-tempo song and be ready to read scripts and learn a short dance number.

• **Piccola Opera Academy:** Piccola Opera hosts an open house on Saturday, Aug. 29, from 9 to 11:30 a.m., at its 8 N.



Take a boat ride before the Prescott Park Arts Festival's *Peter Pan* this weekend. Pickwick's Mercantile photo.

Main St. location, to introduce the non-profit's newest endeavor: Piccola Opera Academy, which will offer varied programming in classical vocal music for all ages and levels. There will be refreshments and registration for fall classes (with a 15 percent discount) and information on special events at the Concord City Auditorium. Among the fall classes: Opera 101, Art Song Masterclass and Bambini Musicali, which are for singers ages 4 to adult. The company is also currently accepting registrations for the inaugural Musical Theatre Youth Competition, which will select 10 young performers ages 10 to 17 to compete onstage at the Concord City Auditorium Oct. 3; winnings include a \$250 cash prize. Visit [piccolaopera.net](http://piccolaopera.net).

• **House managers wanted:** The Concord City Auditorium is looking for house managers, and there are house management and crowd control training workshops on Tuesday, Sept. 8, from 9 to 11 a.m. and 7 to 9 p.m., and Thursday, Sept. 10, from 9 to 11 a.m. Prospective managers will also need to shadow another house manager two shows prior to being certified. To register, email [tstevenson@concordnh.gov](mailto:tstevenson@concordnh.gov) or call 2320-3784. — *Kelly Sennott*

### Classical Music Events

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• **TRIO CLEONICE** Concert part of 2015 Historic Portsmouth Chamber Music series. Sun., Aug. 23, at 3 p.m. New Castle Congregational Church, 65 Main St., New Castle. Suggested \$20 at the door. Visit [portsmouthathenaum.org](http://portsmouthathenaum.org).

• **WOLVERINE JAZZ BAND** Free concert. Sun., Aug. 23, at 2 p.m. Stark Park, Manchester. Visit [friendsofstarkpark.org](http://friendsofstarkpark.org).

• **JOURNEY SONG** Concert by seacoast area singing group dedicated to bringing vocal music to those in hospice care. Part of summer concert series. Tues., Aug. 25, at 3 p.m. Exeter Public Library, 4 Chestnut St., Exeter. Visit [exeterpref@gmail.com](mailto:exeterpref@gmail.com), call 772-3101.

• **PICCOLA OPERA OPEN HOUSE** Introducing Piccola Opera Academy. Programming for classical vocal music for all ages/levels. Registration for inaugural musical theater competition for performers ages 10 to 17. Sat., Aug. 29, 9-11:30 a.m. Piccola Opera, 8 N. Main St., Concord. Free. Call 785-2921, visit [piccolaopera.net](http://piccolaopera.net).

• **COMPAQ BIG BAND** Free concert. Sun., Aug. 30, at 2 p.m. Stark Park, Manchester. Visit [friendsofstarkpark.org](http://friendsofstarkpark.org).

• **SEACOAST STAR: AUDITIONS** Singing competition in four age groups: ages 12 and under, 13 to 20, 21 to 40 and 40 and over. Sun., Aug. 30, noon-5 p.m. in Somersworth. Garrison Players, 650 Portland Ave., Rollinsford. Yangtze Restaurant, 509 High St., Somersworth. \$15 audition fee. Visit [garrisonplayers.org](http://garrisonplayers.org).

• **KEARSARGE CHORALE OPEN REHEARSAL** For students and community mem-

bers interested in performing with the chorale. Subsequent rehearsals are Mondays at 7:15 p.m., with additional practices as needed leading up to public performances. In Sawyer Center Theater. Mon., Sept. 7, at 7 p.m. Colby Sawyer College, 541 Main St., New London. Call 526-3878, email [kseamans@colby-sawyer.edu](mailto:kseamans@colby-sawyer.edu).

• **CONCORD CHORALE OPEN SING** Meet director, learn about membership, preview Dec. concert repertoire, schedule audition. Wed., Sept. 9, at 7:15 p.m. Concord High School, band room, 17 Warren St., Concord. Call 731-2244.

• **MANCHESTER CHORAL SOCIETY OPEN SING** Open sing plus auditions for Manchester Choral Society and Orchestra. All interested singers welcome. Sat., Sept. 12, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Grace Episcopal Church, 106 Lowell St., Manchester. Visit [mcsh.org](http://mcsh.org), call 471-0892.

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# INSIDE/OUTSIDE

## Wild things at the park

Intown Manchester hosts Family Fest

By Angie Sykeny  
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Things are going to get a little wild at Intown Manchester's Family Fest on Saturday, Aug. 22, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Veterans Park. This year's theme is *Where the Wild Things Are*, based on the classic children's book. The fest will have live performances, kids activities, snacks and more.

The event got its start three years ago as a kids portion to a larger event held at Gill Stadium. It was so successful, Intown decided to expand on the idea.

"I was surprised to learn that there weren't a lot of activities like this in Manchester," Sara Beaudry, Intown executive director, said, "so we turned it into Family Fest and held it at the park [with the theme] *Princesses and Pirates*, and the turnout was amazing. Fifteen hundred people showed."

More than two dozen businesses will have tables at the event with free activities for kids, including face painting, nail painting, crafts, balloon animals, a bean bag toss, a putting green, a bouncy house, basketball shots and more.

First up on stage will be Lil' Iguana's Children's Safety Foundation giving a presentation for



Dimensions in Dance team will perform *Where the Wild Things Are* at Family Fest. Courtesy photo.

kids about stranger danger and staying safe. Children's musician Ben Rudnick and Friends, who Beaudry said was a huge hit at last year's fest, will return this year to play a morning and afternoon concert. Finally, dancers from Dimensions in Dance will give a wild morning and afternoon performance.

"We are doing an original performance of Maurice Sendak's book *Where the Wild Things Are* with choreography and narration," Amy Fortier, Dimensions' artistic director, said. "My dancers are enjoying the Wild Rumpus the best, which is to tribal drum-

ming music and features a lot of acrobatics and energetic jumping. They have also been making up some of their own wild thing choreography. Very interesting to say the least."

To give the park a more wild feel, downtown businesses and local artists created wild thing silhouette cutouts for the event.

"It's just one of those loved stories," Beaudry said. "We thought it'd be a fun theme because so many kids are familiar with the story, and with the fest being at an outdoor venue, it's a perfect tie-in."

Family Fest is the final big

event of Intown's 2015 Summer Fest series. Beaudry said the idea behind the fest was to provide a fun day for families that doesn't drain the bank, to bring the community together and to highlight Manchester's downtown parks. Even if you don't have kids, she said, it's a great day to grab lunch and chill out in the park.

"We have some of the most beautiful parks in downtown Manchester, and we want to use them," she said. "We encourage people to come down, bring blankets and chairs, bring a picnic and create a space for themselves and take it all in." 🍌

### Family Fest

**Where:** Veterans Park, Elm Street, Manchester

**When:** Saturday, Aug. 22, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Cost:** Free

**Visit:** [intownmanchester.com](http://intownmanchester.com)

### Crafts

#### One-time pottery & clay workshops

• **ONE-WEEK INTENSIVE POTTERY CLASS** This is a perfect class for people who are eager to get into the studio but are traveling too much this summer to commit to the full 10-week course. Class will be meeting five days in a row in one week and will cover the basic elements of throwing on the pottery wheel (centering, cylinders, bowls, trimming, and basic decoration). Session is Mon. through Fri., Aug. 24 through 28, from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. Studio 550, 550 Elm St.,

Manchester. The cost is \$155, plus \$20 for a bag of clay. Visit [550arts.com](http://550arts.com).

#### Other craft events

• **JEWELRY DEMONSTRATION** Whimsical jewelry demonstration with juried artist Lucy Golden. Lucy will show how she handcrafts and creates each piece as she works with sterling, jeweler's brass, and enamel paint. Sat., Aug. 22, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. League of NH Craftsmen Meredith, 279 Daniel Webster Hwy, Meredith. Free and open to the public. Call 279-7920.

### Health & Wellness

#### Events

• **WORLD BREASTFEEDING WEEK CELEBRATION** A party to celebrate breastfeeding mothers and their achievements. There will be refreshments, games and activities for kids as well as raffling prizes. Wed., Aug. 26, 3 to 6 p.m. Manchester Community Health Center, 145 Hollis St., Manchester. Free and open to all. Call 668-8010, ext 6020.

• **WOMEN'S HEALTH SERIES** Informal discussions on current health trends topics include mindfulness, heart

care, and food as medicine. Third Wed. of the month. O Steaks & Seafood, 11 South Main St., Concord. Classes \$10, \$30 for entire series. Call 230-7300.

#### One-time blood drives

• **BLOOD DRIVE** Donate blood and help the American Red Cross maintain a stable blood supply. Sat., Aug. 22, and Sun., Aug. 23, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tanger Outlet Center, 120 Laconia Road, Ste 134, Tilton. Visit [redcross.org](http://redcross.org).

### Marketing & Business

#### Job fairs

• **JOB FAIR** New England's Tap House Grille will be hosting their first annual "JOBapalooza" to fill a variety of positions from cooks to hosts. Mon., Aug. 24, 11 a.m. New England's Tap House Grille, 1292 Hooksett Road, Hooksett. Visit [taphousenh.com](http://taphousenh.com).

#### Personal finance workshops

• **PERSONAL FINANCE WORKSHOPS** 90-minute, interactive, in-person session is designed to help build habits that can improve your finan-

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## School is cool

Start the school year off right with the Simon Kidgits Club **Back to School Event** in the JCPenney court at the Mall of New Hampshire (1500 S. Willow St., Manchester) on Saturday, Aug. 22, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Local teachers from Hudson Memorial School will challenge kids with a variety of math, art and physical activities to get them excited about school. The Kidgits membership required to attend this event is \$5 per year and includes access to all similar Kidgits events. Visit [simon.com/mall/the-mall-of-new-hampshire](http://simon.com/mall/the-mall-of-new-hampshire).

Head to the Center Court in Pheasant Lane Mall (310 Daniel Webster Hwy., Nashua) on Saturday, Aug. 22, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., for a **Back to School Event** where there will be live entertainment, a bounce house, crafts, activities, giveaways and more. Visit [simon.com/mall/pheasant-lane-mall](http://simon.com/mall/pheasant-lane-mall).

Join Etz Hayim Synagogue (1-1/2 Hood Road, Derry) for **Etz Fest** on Sunday, Aug. 23, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be a yard sale selling toys, books, sports and music equipment and more back-to-school items. Enjoy live music, face painting, balloon animals, games and activities, raffles, hot dogs, popcorn and a bake sale. Visit [freemealsinderry.blogspot.com](http://freemealsinderry.blogspot.com).

## Feelin' bubbly

The Goddard School (12 Tsienneto Road, Derry) will have a **bubble-themed Fun Friday** event on Friday, Aug. 21, from 10 to 11 a.m. Kids will be making their own bubble solution, then blowing bubbles in all different sizes, shapes and colors. This



event is free. Visit [goddardschools.com](http://goddardschools.com) or call 432-2210.

## Cards & clay

Love Pokemon? Come to the Sandown Public Library (305 Main St., Sandown) on Saturday, Aug. 22, from 2 to 2:45 p.m., to hang out with other **Pokemon** fans, trade cards and enjoy some light snacks. Sign-ups are requested. Call 887-3428 or visit [sandownlibrary.us](http://sandownlibrary.us).

Visit the Studio 550 Art Center (550 Elm St., Manchester) on Saturday, Aug. 22, at 1:30 p.m., for a **family clay workshop**. Studio instructors will teach a clay project that you will make from scratch. Creations will be fired and ready for pick-up two to three weeks later. This workshop is for children ages 4 to 14 and their parents. The cost is \$30 for a parent-child pair or \$40 for a parent and two children. Visit [550arts.com](http://550arts.com) or call 232-5597.

## Games galore

Stop by the Goffstown Public Library (2 High St., Goffstown) on Friday, Aug. 21, at 2 p.m., for **Games, Games, Games!** Kids entering kindergarten through grade 5 are invited for a day of many outside games. No registration is required. Call 497-2102 or visit [goftownlibrary.com](http://goftownlibrary.com).

recognize, resist, and report. An AARP educator will discuss fraud trends and behavior, the strategies and tactics used by con artists to defraud, effective prevention strategies, and where to go if you or someone you love has been a victim. Tues., Aug. 25, 3 p.m. Hooksett Public Library, 31 Mount St Mary's Way, Hooksett. Free and open to the public. Call 485-6092.

and after the run. Sat., Aug. 22. Rain date is Sat., Aug. 29. RJ's Motorsports, 421 Amherst St., Nashua. \$25 per rider, \$15 per passenger. Visit [kbliz-zard8.wix.com/tailstofreedom/](http://kbliz-zard8.wix.com/tailstofreedom/) events.

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The 2nd annual Wheels 4 Paws Charity Motorcycle Ride supports Monadnock Humane Society in Swanzey, NH. Enjoy after-party BBQ by Jim Eddie's restaurant and music with CJ the DJ, raffles, and more. Rain or shine. Sat., Aug. 22. No entry fee. Riders should get sponsors and donations. Visit [monadnockhumane-society.org](http://monadnockhumane-society.org). Call 352-9011.

**Car & motorcycle shows**  
• **VEHICLE SHOW** East

Coast Camaro Club's All Vehicle show to benefit Merrimack Valley Hospice. Sun., Aug. 23, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Hills House Field, 201 Derry Road, Hudson. Vehicle registration \$12 in advance; \$15 day of. Spectators \$2 (12 and under free). Contact Mike Sullivan at [ms67rsss@comcast.net](mailto:ms67rsss@comcast.net) or 895-4644.

• **ITALIAN CAR SHOW**  
Third annual celebration of renowned car brands such as Ferrari, Lamborghini, Porsche, McLaren, and Maserati. Come and enjoy live music and a wine tasting provided by Tuscan Kitchen and Market. Sun., Aug. 23, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuscan Village, 67 Main St., Salem. Free and open to all. Call 952-4875.

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Elain from Bedford

Dear Elain,

Thanks for all the information you provided on the tapestry [not printed in letter]. I could not connect any of the information, however. The name you provided showed a silversmith from England, and the location was here in the United States.

Tapestries were very common and of many subjects. Ones like yours are a typical warm and pleasant scene. Even the colors are usually in the same tone as yours.

The values of the ones I have seen and sold were mostly in the under-\$100 range.

There are always exceptions, though. I don't think in this case the maker is part



of determining the value. It would be the subject and condition.

Yours looks so nice framed. I hope you display it within your home.

*Donna Welch has spent more than 20 years in the antiques and collectibles field and owns From Out Of The Woods Antique Center in Goffstown (fromoutofthewoodsantiques.com). She is an antiques appraiser and instructor.*

*To find out about your antique or collectible, send a clear photo of the object and information about it to Donna Welch, From Out Of The Woods Antique Center, 465 Mast Road, Goffstown, N.H., 03045. Or email her at footwdw@aol.com. Or drop by the shop (call first, 624-8668).*



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# Autumn in August

Exeter celebrates Fall Festival early this year



Last year's scarecrow contest winner. Courtesy photo.

By Angie Sykeny  
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Pumpkins, hay rides and colorful foliage are right around the corner, and Exeter is welcoming the new season with its 17th Annual Fall Festival on Saturday, Aug. 22, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Swasey Park. The festival will have a variety of live entertainment, crafters and vendors, children's activities and more.

The festival usually happens in September or October, but for the past three years has coincided with Exeter's Annual Powder Keg Beer and Chili Festival.

"We don't want to infringe on other community events," said Lynn Dow, Exeter Area Chamber of Commerce event marketing and operational director. "We decided it would be best to split up the brew fest and fall fest, so that's why we chose August. The joke [at the Chamber] is it's a fall-ish festival. It's not quite fall, but it's close enough."

The festival will continue its traditional activities despite the earlier date, but a few adjustments needed to be made. For the past 10 years there has been a scarecrow contest in which businesses, families and individuals create a scarecrow display, which must incorporate pumpkins, prior to fest day, and people vote at the festival for the best displays. However, with the fest happening earlier than pumpkin season, the contest this year is of sea creature displays, which must incorporate watermelons instead.

There will be live entertainment on two stages throughout the day. On the Swasey

Park Pavilion Stage, three bands will perform: Granite Planet (10 a.m.), Bel Airs (noon) and Charlie Foxtrot (2 p.m.). Adagio Dance Academy will do a demonstration (11 a.m.), and illusionist Bob Fellows will do a magic show (3 p.m.). One of the main highlights of the fest, Dow said, is the Wildlife Encounters (1 p.m.), a 50-minute educational wildlife show that features different animals each year. In addition, there will be an exhibit with the wildlife set up for the duration of the fest.

"The Wildlife Encounters always draws a big crowd," Dow said. "It's entertaining to both young and old, and it's something new every year, so it'll be interesting to see what [the wildlife educator] brings down for us."

Performing on the Squamscott River Stage will be children's musicians Johnny the K (10 a.m.) and Wayne from Maine (2 p.m.) and children's storyteller Shawn Middleton (noon). There will also be music by Tito Mambo (11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m.), martial arts demonstrations by NH Martial Arts Academy (11 a.m.) and Karate International (1:30 p.m.) and a Zumba demonstration with Studio 10 Fitness (1 p.m.).

Fall Festival will also feature over 80 craft and food vendors, two rock-climbing walls, face-painting, kids' crafts, a bounce house and balloon twisting (11 a.m. to 3 p.m.). Mrs. New Hampshire USA Tonya Knightly will be at the fest for a portion of the day. New additions to the fest this year include a touch-a-truck area, a police K9 demonstration (time TBD), a duck race (3 p.m.) and the Roaming Railroad Train, a trackless Thomas the Tank Engine-esque painted train that can shuttle up to 27 kids and adults (11 a.m. to 3 p.m.).

"There's a dime-a-dozen fests around this time of year, but I think our fest is unique because most of the entertainers and people involved are here in Exeter," Dow said. "There's a community feel to the whole thing. Everyone's bringing something to the party."

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# Planting trees

Almost any time is a good time

By Henry Homeyer  
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Except when the ground is frozen, you can plant trees and shrubs pretty much anytime. Some experts recommend planting in the fall when trees are less likely to suffer from hot weather and dry soil as autumn is generally cool and rainy. Others suggest planting in spring so the tree can get established before our harsh winter. I say, plant when you have the time and the desire.

This spring I planted a kousa dogwood (*Cornus kousa*) to replace a winter-killed mountain laurel. The dogwood is hardy to climatic Zone 5, meaning it will survive temperatures of 20 below zero, and I live in a Zone 4. Most winters we see minus 25. But I have it in a protected spot near the house, and I think it should survive. I'll probably wrap in burlap its first winter. Of course, I am an incurable optimist, and I have always wanted a kousa dogwood, so I am willing to take a risk. That mountain laurel that died last winter gave me nearly 20 years of blooms and joy, and if the kousa dogwood does the same, I'll consider myself very lucky.

One key to its survival, I think, is to get the roots to be well established by winter. And part of that is providing adequate water in its first year. So at least once a week I water it deeply. Now, in the heat of August, I water it twice a week. I have mulched the roots with bark mulch to keep the soil from drying out, and to keep the roots warmer this winter.

This summer I planted a shrub in memory of my sister, Ruth Anne Mitchell, who passed away six years ago. A friend told me Ruth Anne loved the redvein enkianthus (*Enkianthus campanulatus*), so I got one. I'd seen a nice specimen growing in the ground at E.C. Brown Nursery in Thetford, Vermont, and was able to get a 4-foot-tall enkianthus from them. Since I had never noticed one before, I depended on my woody plant bible, Michael Dirr's *Manual of Woody Landscape Plants*, to tell me how to plant it.

Dirr's book has a page or more on every species of plant that grows in America, and is spot-on with its advice. In this case, it said the shrub needs acidic soil, like rhododendrons. So I mixed 2 to 3 cups of garden sulfur into the soil that went into planting hole, along with some peat moss. And I put down a layer of peat moss on the soil surface after planting and covered it with bark mulch.

The enkianthus is hardy to Zone 4, and I can't wait to see it bloom next June. It should be loaded with creamy yellow blossoms with red veins. The fragrance, according to Dirr, is somewhat unpleasant. Huh. But he says it should have brilliant fall color.



Courtesy photo.

I planted the enkianthus on a hillside, which is always problematical. One must plant trees and shrubs on flat places because they come with a rootball that must be in the ground and the tree must be vertical, not tipping. Perennial flowers are easier: they have smaller rootballs so they require a smaller flat place. And they will straighten themselves up to vertical if planted on a slope.

My remedy for the hillside planting is to dig into the hillside above the tree and to build up the hillside on the downhill side of it. For a shrub with a 16-inch rootball I created a 48-inch flat space. Roots do better if you dig a wide hole – three times the width of the rootball is standard. Then, after placing the tree in the hole, you refill the hole with the soil that you dug out. Why? Because soil in most places is hard-packed and dense. Digging out soil and replacing it creates a nice zone of fluffy soil for the roots to start out in.

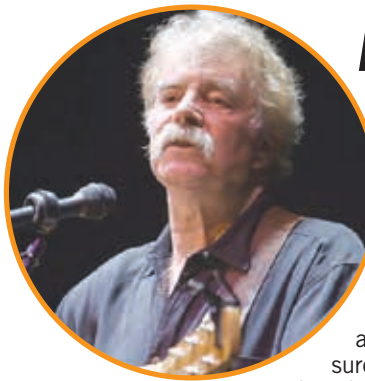
Some gardeners think it is good to add compost and fertilizer in the hole. While that is a good plan for a perennial flower, it is not for a tree or shrub. Think of a tree as a wine glass sitting on a dinner plate. The glass is the tree, the root system is the plate. The tree must send roots out far from the trunk, and if you pack the planting hole with compost and fertilizer, the roots will not be inclined to spread out to the un-amended soil.

I decided in this case to build a little stone retaining wall to hold the soil from washing downhill in times of heavy rain. I didn't do much; I just found seven flat stones and arranged them in two layers on the downhill side of the planting. I didn't dig a trench and put crushed stone in it as a base, as I would have if the wall were bigger. This was just a 15-minute job. The stones sat on well-packed, unexcavated soil and should not move.

If I were to build or buy a new house, the first landscaping task I would tackle would be to choose trees and shrubs and get them in the ground. They take years to reach their peak beauty, and not every tree planted survives. But I keep planting woody plants now, 40 years after I bought my place.

Henry is a gardening consultant and the author of four gardening books. His website is Gardening-Guy.com. 🌱





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By Ray Magliozzi

Dear Car Talk:

With all these things we are plugging into our lighter sockets these days — phone charger, GPS, radar detector, you name it — we end up with these lighter-socket

plugs sitting there all the time with glowing LEDs on them.

My question is: Do these LEDs draw enough current to pose a threat to my battery's life? Should I be pulling them out every time I leave the car overnight? I do that now, but it is a pain for sure.

What do you think? — Alan

Well, a lot of cars will cut off power to the power ports (what we used to call "cigarette lighters") when you turn the car off. So it's not an issue for most people.

If your car is one of those that continues to power the outlet even when the car is off (so the green LED light stays on), then yes, you are using battery power overnight to light that LED.

Fortunately, it takes so little current to light that LED that your battery will power it for ... let me do the math ...

between 2,500 and 2,700 years before it's unable to start the car — an LED that size takes an infinitesimal amount of power. The digital clock in your car takes more power.

Of course, if you leave your car sitting for a month, it's likely that the battery will get drawn down. But that won't be from the LED lights on your charger; it'll be because things like the car's computer and evaporative emissions system draw power even when the car is parked.

Great! Now you're going to stay up nights obsessing about how much power your evaporative emissions system is using!

Actually, if you've got several devices, and it bothers you, another option is to get one of those power-outlet adapters that turns one outlet into several. Then you can pull out that one plug when you leave the car and disable everything.

But even that's not necessary, Alan. So free your mind. Don't worry so much. Try to imagine that you're just providing a nice, little nightlight for all the spiders living in your upholstery. Does that help?

Dear Car Talk:

What are your thoughts on replacing a water pump, alternator or other components before they fail? I have a 2000 Corvette with 84,000 miles that we are planning to take on a caravan this month from the Pacific Northwest to Bowling Green, Kentucky. I have not had any problems to date, but I wonder if taking preventive actions now, before a problem arises, is advisable? Thank you. — Lee

I love the idea of replacing parts before they fail, Lee. But then again, our shop is full of mechanics trying to put their kids through college.

Practically speaking, I actually don't think it's a good idea. With 84,000 miles on the car, anything could be a candidate for preventive replacement at this point. You'd be taking wild guesses. Why not replace the fuel pump, too? How about the brake master cylinder? How about the engine?

And when you tell a mechanic that you want to start replacing parts that are not showing signs of failure, you also open yourself up to unscrupulous operators who may be more interested in running up your bill than in keeping you out of the breakdown lane.

So instead, ask a mechanic you trust to do a thorough inspection of your car. If he sees actual evidence that a part is faltering — if he hears the water pump making noise or sees some wobble in the water pump pulley, or if he hears the bearings in the alternator making noise — then you can legitimately replace those parts, and consider it evidence-based preventive maintenance.

Or if he works on lots of older Corvettes, he may have developed some specific knowledge about certain parts that tend to fail on the car at 90,000 or 100,000 miles. That also can be considered evidence-based preventive maintenance.

And then give yourself a few extra days to get to Bowling Green. Put aside some money for a few motel nights in case you do happen to break down; that's a risk you take when you drive a 15-year-old car across the country.

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**Q:** *Explain in one sentence what your current job is.*

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*How did you get interested in this field?*

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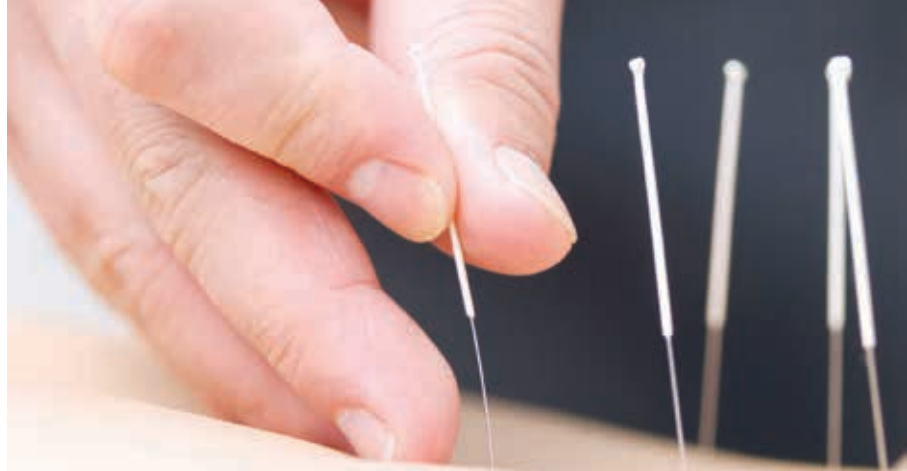
and an interest in looking at how the body works.

*What kind of education or training did you need for this job?*

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*How did you find your current job?*

I created it. I started the studio. ... I met a lot of folks who couldn't afford the market



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*What's the best piece of work-related advice anyone's ever given you?*

Be yourself, work hard and be honest.

*What do you wish you'd known at the beginning of your career?*

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*What is your typical at-work uniform?*  
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News from the local food scene

By Allie Ginwala  
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# FOOD Destination: chili

Chili Fest returns for a day of fun and competition

By Allie Ginwala  
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The Henniker Rotary Club didn't set out to start a destination chili festival that draws thousands of guests eager to sample 40 different varieties of chili. Instead, it began as an add-on to a fundraiser that needed a little oomph.

"We used to do a goods and service auction and added a little chili contest, and it was so well received that the club decided to forgo the auction and start to build the chili fest," Ruth Zax, Henniker Rotary Club president, said in a phone interview.

The "little chili contest" was between the Hillsborough and Henniker Fire and Rescue departments and has since morphed into the Henniker Rotary Chili Fest: Fire on the Mountain at Pats Peak Ski Area.

"In the first couple of years it was... fairly small. Just local restaurants participated, some amateurs, and then we added the kids' area, we added the vendors, we added the car cruise-in, so we've been adding things to make it more festival-like over the years," she said. "It draws contestants from all over, it draws attendees from all over. It's a destination event."

The highlight of the festival is, of course, the chance to taste all sorts of chili from the professional and amateur competitions. The professionals include about 15 restaurants and caterers, such as Colby Hill Inn in Henniker, Country Spirit Restaurant in Henniker, Midtown Cafe in Manchester and The

## Annual Henniker Rotary Chili Fest: Fire on the Mountain

**When:** Sunday, Aug. 23, noon to 4:30 p.m.

**Where:** Pats Peak Ski Area, 686 Flanders Road, Henniker

**Cost:** \$12 for adults, \$6 for children 10 and under, free for infants and toddlers (if you bring a vintage car or truck to the cruise in you get a \$2 off on admission to chili fest).

**See:** [chilinelnewhampshire.org](http://chilinelnewhampshire.org)



John Ploch, a regular amateur chili competitor from New Jersey, stands beside his chili. Courtesy photo.

Red Arrow Diner. There are typically about 25 amateurs, who come from across the state and region.

Chef Nicole Barreira, former WZID radio host Mike Morin and New Hampshire Magazine Editor Rick Broussard are the three celebrity judges.

"The celebrity judges have a set of criteria they use [like] aroma and taste and ingredients and aftertaste," Zax said.

They'll rank each of the entries based on the criteria in their blind taste test. A people's choice award will also be given in both categories.

The types of chilis each year cover all taste ranges — seafood chili, steak chili, pork chili, vegetarian chili, green chili, chocolate chili, and even an Indian chili made by amateur competitor Jason Valley of Tilton.

"The amateurs are much more inclined to be creative with their chilis and use different combinations," Zax said.

Valley has competed in the amateur chili competition for the past four or five years.

"I do a lot of cooking at home. I've done some catering work," he said in a phone interview. "I have a chili I've won with two years

in a row, so I'm not changing that recipe."

Valley makes an Indian-style chili with Indian spices, chicken, peppers and peas that he said is similar to murg makhani.

"It's one of the dishes I make at home quite a bit so I've had the opportunity to perfect it over the years," he said. "The family really likes it."

Currently Valley only competes in Chili Fest, because he likes the small, family atmosphere that you won't find at more diehard competitions. Plus, he likes the fact that he can bring his wife and kids and interact with all of the people trying his chili.

"It's a lot of fun. I get to meet a lot of neat people," he said.

Zax said in the early years of the festival they discussed affiliating with an established chili competition organization, but decided they wanted to keep it relaxed.

"We decided that we were gonna let people make their favorite chili recipe and as long as they provided the right amount, that whatever ingredients they used were their [choice]," she said.

Unlike sanctioned chili competitions, Chili Fest doesn't require its competitors to follow specific ingredient guidelines or make their chili on-site. All they have to do is bring six gallons of professional chili or four gallons of amateur chili to the mountain labeled as "hot," "very hot," or "screaming hot," so the attendees know what level of spiciness they're getting themselves into.

The tasting portion of the festival is rather free-form. With competitors lined up on tables under tents at the base of Pats Peak, guests can walk from table to table with their cups and spoons to chat with the chili maker and have a taste.

Between chili tastings, guests can head to the food court for barbecue ribs and hamburgers from Arnie's Place, Kona Ice, soft serve from Intervale Ice Cream, hot dogs, corn on the cob and more. They'll also have craft vendors, kids' zone, car cruise in and live music from Rosemary's Baby Blues. 🍷

## Make way for Mahrajan

Enjoy a feast of cuisine and culture

By Allie Ginwala  
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What started as a Sunday afternoon meal for the parishioners of Our Lady of the Cedars Church in Manchester has grown into a three-day festival, drawing thousands ready

to enjoy lamb kabobs, stuffed grape leaves, tzatziki and hummus bi tahini.

"I think we started in probably the early '70s," Rev. Thomas Steinmetz said.

Before it moved to its current, bigger location on Mitchell Street, the church never considered adding to the simple Sunday meal.

"We had people asking us, 'Why do you only do this one day?'" he said. "We saw the opportunity to expand and the community interest in expanding it."

While the festival encompasses Middle Eastern culture as a whole, much of the food is of Lebanese origin, since the individ-

• **Food for a cause:** Two restaurants will give diners the chance to give a percentage of their proceeds to the **Nashua Senior Activity Center**, according to a press release. Ruby Tuesday's (275 Amherst St., Nashua) will host a Community Give Back Day on Wednesday, Sept. 2, where 20 percent of each purchase will be given back to the center. Another benefit begins in October at Not Your Average Joe's (221 D.W. Highway, Nashua) on each Tuesday of the month when 15 percent of every purchase is donated to the center. At both locations, diners must present a voucher to the server to make the meal count. Find vouchers at [nashuaseniorcenter.org](http://nashuaseniorcenter.org) or by visiting the center at 70 Temple St. in Nashua. The **Londonderry Senior Center** (535 Mammoth Road, Londonderry) will host an all-you-can-eat ice cream social with a variety of flavors and toppings to benefit the center on Thursday, Aug. 20, from noon to 2 p.m. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children 10 and under. Call the center at 432-8554 for more details.

• **Get the Nashua brews:** Taste local and regional craft beers alongside wings made by local restaurants at Gate City Brewfest on Saturday, Aug. 22, from 1 to 5 p.m. in downtown Nashua. Enjoy beer from Able Ebenezer, Long Trail Brewing, Tuckerman Brewing Co., Wormtown Brewery, Martha's Exchange and more. The wing competition will feature Peddler's Daughter, Riverside BBQ, Stella Blu, Tilted Kilt and others. Additional features include live music, lawn games, Positive Street Art art battle, balloon fun and a caricaturist. A portion of the festival proceeds will benefit the Police Athletic League and Big Brothers Big Sisters. Tickets cost \$25 in advance, \$30 day of, \$10 for designated drivers, and admission is free for children 12 and under. Visit [gatecitybrewfestnh.com](http://gatecitybrewfestnh.com).

• **Marking two decades:** IncrediBREW (112 Daniel Webster Hwy., Nashua) celebrates 20 years of helping customers make beer, wine and soda on Saturday, Aug. 22, and Sunday, Aug. 23. "We are proud to say that we are the oldest brew-on-premise facility in the nation, and we believe that no one does it better or has better customers," IncrediBREW staff said in a press release. Check out special brew sessions at 9 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. and 51 ▶

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imals who founded the church many years ago came from Lebanon.

"The Melkite Church itself is from throughout the area of the Middle East, although the people who founded this parish are from Lebanon so the food is oriented toward what the people know how to make," Steinmetz said.

For the past eight years, Marylou Lazos has co-chaired the food preparation and organization, which begins many months before the festival.

"We prepare about 2,000 meals or so, so there's a lot of prep work," she said in a phone interview.

The menu includes lamb, chicken and beef tip kabobs, lubyeh (green beans cooked in tomato sauce with onions and spices, served over rice), falafel, mujaddara (lentils with rice and caramelized onions), fatayar (bread dough pastry stuffed with onion, lemon and either spinach or ground beef) and the chicken or lamb shawarma, which Lazos said has been the most popular in recent years.

"Whatever we can do in advance we do and then freeze, so now my job is making last-minute things because we only have so much freezer space," she said. The spinach and meat fatayar are made just a couple of days before the festival.

In the church kitchen (which, when they moved into the building 10 years ago, was the first thing to be redone), a group of about 20 parishioners started preparing the pastries in March and gathered once or twice a week in June to marinate and skewer the meats.

It's an all-hands-on-deck effort, Lazos said, and those who volunteer their time to prep and cook know how important the festival is to the church.

"If we didn't have really the support of everybody in the parish we'd never be able to pull it off," Steinmetz said.

Guests can expect to find plenty of Middle Eastern food favorites, along with some that may be less familiar to Americans, like koosa, a pastry with a custard baked between layers of phyllo dough.

"It's fairly labor intensive but really well worth the effort," Lazos said.

Koosa starts with a large zucchini or squash that's peeled, cut and cooked, then mixed with cream of wheat. It sits for a day or so (or it can be put in the freezer) before eggs, milk and sugar are added and layered between the phyllo.

"What comes out is a custard between crispy phyllo sheets," Lazos said.

The main purpose of Mahrajan is as a fundraiser for the church, but Steinmetz said there's more to the event than that.

"It also exposes the community to the food of the Middle East, to the culture of the Middle East and also to the reality that there are Christians in the Middle East," he said. "It's exposure for our church. ... Whenever I mention the Melkite Catholic Church, it



Lamb kabobs on the grill. Courtesy photo.

always requires an explanation."

One way the church hopes to bring awareness this year is through a fundraising contest that benefits the Syrian refugees displaced by the conflict with the self-proclaimed Islamic State.

"There is a lot going on in the Middle East that is disheartening right now," contest organizer Rich Ashooh said in a phone interview. "The church spends a lot of time trying to not only pray for positive outcomes but draw awareness to the problems there."

This year's Mahrajan will feature the kiss the camel challenge, bringing a twist to the popular ice bucket challenge.

"We're trying to do something consistent with our cultural genre but will still have benefit on a very difficult situation," Ashooh said.

The way it works is someone who wants to nominate a friend or family member pays \$20 to add that person's name to the challenge. The challenged individual must then either kiss the camel — the much-loved Josh, who already gets plenty of hugs from festival-goers each year — or pay \$20.

"All the proceeds go to benefit the fund that the Melkite diocese has set up to help the crisis," Ashooh said.

To up the ante, the kiss the camel challenge will have a celebrity component, which includes Manchester Mayor Ted Gatsas.

"Our goal there is to set a price tag that's higher than the \$20. ... We're hoping people will donate to see Ted Gatsas kiss the camel," he said.

Other festival features include traditional Middle Eastern music from a live band Saturday evening and all day Sunday, a DJ on Friday and Saturday afternoon, booths with cultural and religious items, church tours and a small petting zoo.

"It's really just a fun place to be," Steinmetz said. 🍷

#### Mahrajan Middle Eastern Festival

**When:** Friday, Aug. 21, 5 to 10 p.m.; Saturday, Aug. 22, noon to 10 p.m.; Sunday, Aug. 23, noon to 5 p.m.

**Where:** Our Lady of the Cedars Church, 140 Mitchell St., Manchester

**Cost:** Admission free. Food priced per item.

**Visit:** mahrajan-nh.com

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# Following nature's design

Celebrate a day of permaculture in Chichester



An array of mushrooms at NH Permaculture Day. Courtesy photo.

By Allie Ginwala  
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Whether you're spearheading an initiative to view climate change from a permaculture perspective or don't even know exactly what permaculture is, New Hampshire Permaculture Day has workshops, talks and walks for everyone.

"[Permaculture] is focused on looking at a piece of land or a building and observing that piece of land and placing your design so that it is ... almost like mimicking nature and the natural world," Regina Rinaldo, part of the New Hampshire Permaculture Guild organizing committee, said in a phone interview.

Still trying to get a grasp on the concept? One presentation — out of the 30-plus walks, demonstrations and panel discussions — is an intro to permaculture that explains the very basics.

Other topics range from holistic treatments for Lyme disease to a history of agriculture, plus participatory workshops, like a mushroom foray and instruction for how to grow them in your backyard, raising chickens and growing vegetables in very small spaces.

"You have opportunities to pick different workshops or demonstrations to attend," Rinaldo said.

Rinaldo will sit on a panel titled Women in Permaculture, sharing her experience

## New Hampshire Permaculture Day

**When:** Saturday, Aug. 22, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Registration starts at 8 a.m.

**Where:** Inheritance Farm, 112 Pleasant St., Chichester

**Cost:** \$25 in advance, \$35 day of

**Visit:** facebook.com/nhpermieday to register

and knowledge of being immersed in permaculture farming and growing food. She's also the person in charge of the locally sourced lunch (which is included with the price of admission). Her menu features smoked chicken, a selection of vegetables, cole slaw, salads and corn bread, sourced from Inheritance Farm, Blue Moon Evolution and farms in the seacoast area.

"That's always a really great highlight, to be able to come together," Rinaldo said.

An entire hour is blocked out just for lunch so everyone can get together to enjoy the fresh meal.

"In a lot of ways permaculture touches on a lot of things already in motion," she said, noting the state's current local food movement. "How are we providing food that's not coming from miles and miles away? So [we're] looking at ways to really change the systems already in place ... [and] becoming locally food oriented."

The theme for the third New Hampshire Permaculture Day is "emerging."

"In New Hampshire, permaculture is emerging in a really great way and we wanted to highlight that," she said.

One example is Inheritance Farm in Chichester, this year's host. The goal of the family-owned farm is to become more of an educational site for permaculture workshops and demonstrations.

All of the presenters, teachers and experts at this year's event are from the state, in order to keep the event "focused on the skills and the knowledge and the wisdom already present in New Hampshire."

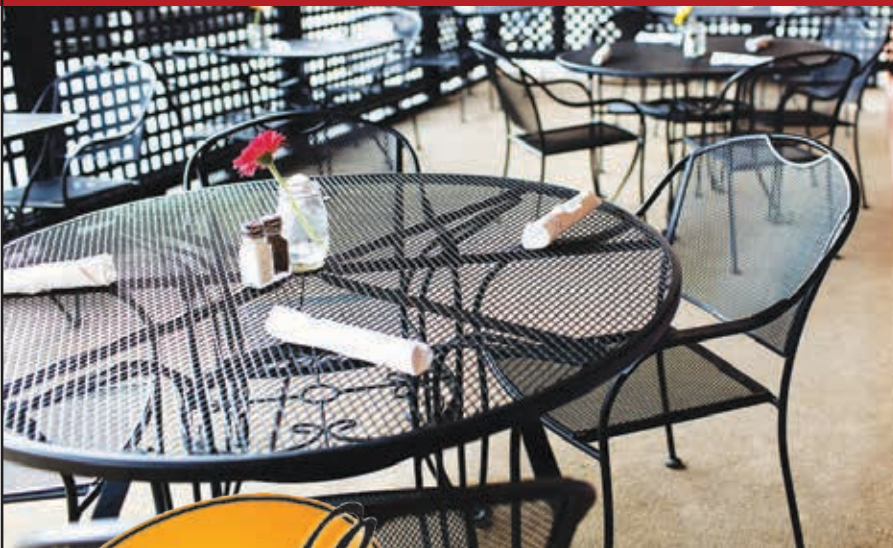
"I think we really want to be a place that is welcoming to those who don't know about permaculture...[and] to folks who have been in the [permaculture] network," Rinaldo said.



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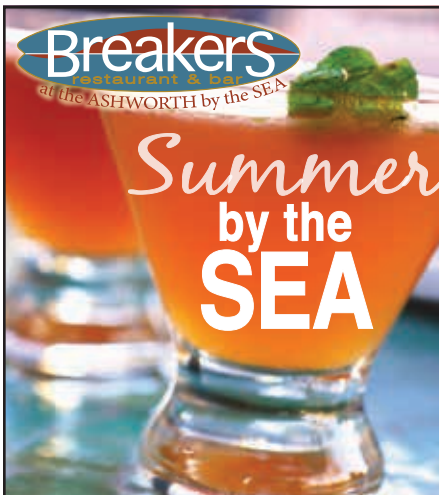
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## What is your favorite pizza topping or topping combination?

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## Favorite restaurant besides your own?

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up there as a family every year.

## What celebrity would you like to share a pizza with?

Mario Batali. He's a very nice guy in real life too. He bought my friend's restaurant [in New York City].

## What is your favorite meal to cook at home?

Linguine [with] white clam sauce.

## What would you choose for your last meal?

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## Food Chef events/special meals

• **END OF SUMMER ICE CREAM SOCIAL** Enjoy a variety of toppings, blueberry sauce, homemade chocolate chip cookies. Sat., Aug. 22, from noon to 3 p.m. The Cozy Tea Cart, 104 Route 13, Brookline. Purchase ice cream and cookies. Toppings are free. See thecozyteacart.com.

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#### Church & charity suppers/bake sales

• **ICE CREAM SOCIAL** All you can eat ice cream fundraiser benefits Londonderry Senior Center. Thurs., Aug. 20, from noon to 2 p.m. Londonderry Senior Center, 535 Mammoth Road, Londonderry. Cost is \$5

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**FOOD**

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Ideas from off the shelf

## Chicken and strawberries

A few weeks ago, I bought a bottle of balsamic vinegar to use in a tomato and mozzarella salad. The salad was delicious, but I didn't use much of the balsamic vinegar. So this week, I went searching for a recipe that would use the rest of the balsamic vinegar and get it out of my pantry before I forgot it was there.

During my search, I decided to look up recipes from Ree Drummond, best known for her show on the Food Network, *The Pioneer Woman*. I've only seen the show a few times, but in the episodes I've watched, she's created homemade and hearty meals in simple ways.

So when one of my co-workers filled a social media account over the weekend with pictures of her homemade Pioneer Woman meal, which was drool-worthy, I decided to search Drummond's recipe archives for my next meal.

What I found was a plethora of frontier-style, big-family meals. Everything from steak on the grill to peanut butter pie looked delicious, and the recipes seemed simple and pantry-friendly. But I wasn't looking to make a heavy meal; I just wanted a quick weeknight dinner.

Eventually I came across a recipe for a chicken and strawberry salad that Drummond turned into a wrap for all of us carb-lovers. I made the salad first on its own but made the



wrap for lunch the next day, and it was divine.

The recipe is so simple, and takes so few ingredients. Plus, it enabled me to use some of the late summer strawberries I've been craving. But the best part of all: I found a use for my balsamic vinegar.

While you could use any balsamic vinaigrette you have, making your own from scratch doesn't take much effort. A quick whisk of balsamic vinegar, olive oil, salt and pepper and you're good to go. I followed the recipe and marinated the chicken in the vinaigrette, but also set some aside to drizzle in the wraps the next day, which really kept the meal from tasting like leftovers.

The combination of balsamic vinaigrette and strawberries is pretty classic during the summer, and this recipe is no exception. Combined with fresh goat cheese (I prefer feta so I used a mixture of the two) and chopped pecans, this salad-turned-wrap has sweetness, saltiness and crunch.

Finely sliced green onion rounds out the recipe, and it adds a crisp, earthy freshness. Wrapped in large tortillas — I used flour ones this time, but spinach or whole wheat would be excellent — the leftover salad makes a perfect quick-fix lunch for the next day.

— Lauren Mifsud

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- 8 ounces mixed salad greens
- ¼ cup pecans, chopped
- 6 medium strawberries, hulled and quartered
- 1 green onion, sliced
- 4 ounces goat or feta cheese, crumbled
- 4 large tortillas

For the vinaigrette, whisk together the olive oil, vinegar and salt and pepper to taste in a small bowl. Measure out ½ cup for the chicken marinade and set aside. Refrigerate the remain-

ing for the salad or the wrap the next day.

Place the chicken in a large plastic bag, and seal the bag, leaving a small opening. Use a rolling pin to pound the breast to a uniform thickness. Pour in the reserved balsamic vinaigrette, seal the bag and toss to fully coat the chicken. If time, let the chicken marinate in the fridge for up to 2 hours.

Grill the chicken until the juices run clear and it's cooked in the middle, about 5 minutes per side. When it's cool enough to handle, dice the chicken.

In a large bowl, add the salad greens, some of the remaining dressing, chicken, pecans, strawberries and green onions. Toss to combine. Top with the crumbled cheese. For the tortillas, place an equal amount of salad down the middle of each tortilla. Roll, and then slice in half.

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## DRINK

# Wine gone bad

### How to prevent spoilage

By Stefanie Phillips  
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It's been a warm couple of weeks, so if you haven't stored your wine properly, you could be disappointed to find out that it has gone bad. There is nothing worse than opening up a bottle of wine and finding out it has gone bad. There are several ways this can happen, and it may have even occurred before you got it home, as many bottles travel internationally before they reach store shelves.

Luckily, I haven't encountered this too many times, but it does happen occasionally. Most of the wine I have that is "bad" just didn't age as the winemaker envisioned, but there is nothing wrong with it, and it's perfectly safe to drink.

Here is some information about the most common ways wine goes bad and how it can be identified. If I save one bottle of wine from being corked or cooked, I have done my job!

### Corked

The cork is really the key to keeping the wine from spoiling, which is why wine should be stored horizontally to keep the cork moist. According to writer Steve Stacionis from Serious Eats, looking at the cork, smelling it and looking for any cork that may have ended up in your wine glass will not tell you if a wine is bad or not. Unfortunately, the only way to determine this is through smell and taste. However, if the cork is already slightly out of the bottle before you even try to open it, this is a warning sign that it could be cooked (see below for more on that).

A wine is "corked" when a chemical compound gets into it (called TCA for short) and gives it a musty odor. If your wine smells like an old used sponge, musty basement or mold, you can be certain that TCA has found its way into the bottle. TCA can also mute the wine's other aromas, so if a wine smells off to you, this is another good indicator, especially if you have tried it before and know this is wrong.

### Oxidized

Air is great for breathing and all, but it shouldn't end up in your bottle of wine until you open it. Oxidized wine is much like a piece of fruit after it sits out too long: brown and dried up. You will probably notice if a wine is oxidized by its nutty flavor. Some of this may occur naturally in older wines, but younger wines should not taste like this. If a wine seems dull and flat, this is another sign of oxidation.



### Cooked

"Cooked" wine is just what it sounds like: wine that has overheated for a period of time. Wine should be stored in a cool, dark place, so warmer temperatures (like in a wine rack near the oven, for example) are not recommended. Exposure to sun and heat can turn a nice bottle of wine into stewed prune juice and render it undrinkable. This is something to consider when you are storing wine at home.

Stacionis puts it bluntly: "A shelf in the window shop with the sun beating down on it? That wine, sadly, is screwed. A rack right next to the kitchen stove? Ditto." Many people, myself included, are guilty of improper wine storage at one time or another. Just because a wine rack looks nice and fits on your kitchen counter doesn't make it the best way to store wine.

A bottle of cooked wine may have the cork protruding from the top of the bottle or show signs of seepage around the cork. If the wine has heated up, the expansion will cause the cork to become pushed out.

### Refermenting

Wine is only supposed to ferment once, right? But if there are yeast and sugar still in the bottle the process can occur again, making the wine slightly fizzy or bubbly. Bacteria in the wine will also eat at other parts of the wine and give off carbon dioxide. While this highlights the importance of sanitation in the winemaking process, some of this also occurs naturally. A refermented wine isn't necessarily bad — it may just be different than what you expected.

### Use Your Senses

Your eyes and nose are the best tools when it comes to determining if a wine is bad through color and smell. If you think something is off, it probably is. 🍷





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# POP CULTURE

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## Glenn Mercer, *Incidental Hum* (Bar None Records)



From 1976 to the present — sans a 16-year breakup period — the Feelies specialized in a texture-and-tone-oriented brand of post-punk. It didn't generate a lot of record sales, but it was interesting enough that bands like R.E.M. cited them as influences. Mercer has been the Feelies' leader all along, and his collaboration with fellow bandmember Bill Million produced the soundtrack to the indie film *Smithereens*, which led to an even more texture-centric writing method further manifested on this solo LP, a set of 15 instrumentals that touch on spaghetti-western (a little), beach-blanket surf-indie (a little more) and varying expressions of drone (a lot), much of it sounding like Kraftwerk, particularly the cheeseball version of "Somewhere Over the Rainbow," which, given its brevity and naïve weirdness, comes off like a bizarre skit. Overall a weird little trip that would appeal to Stiff/Throbbing Lobster fanatics and similar fauna. **B** — *Eric W. Saeger*

## Health, *Death Magic* (Fiction/Lorna Vista Records)



Third LP from the Los Angeles noise-pop quartet, whose resumé includes a bizarre amount of love from crotchety old Pitchfork as well as an opening slot for Nine Inch Nails — this has to be some sort of L.A. cluster thing, right? Nah, not necessarily, especially when the essence of this stuff boils down to Depeche Mode meeting Raveonettes in a dark, bottle-strewn alley. The lazy, disaffected singing matches up well in this day and age with the clanging noisy synths, the latter of which focuses on making Simple Minds-like beauty with the keyboard jacked to 11. The only thing I can think of that sounds like this is the first Birthday Massacre album, which was prettier, but there's a lot of haunting, goth-friendly vibe to it for sure. During its better moments, lead single "New Coke" sounds like Wire with a dubstep-rinse kid manning the drum machine, so there's that for an "OK, this is more than a little intriguing" factor. Only complaint is that it seems a little too complacent at times, which could have been avoided with some really crazy-sounding glitch, but it'll more than suffice to appease Gen X'ers earnestly trying to like music that isn't 30 years old. **A** — *Eric W. Saeger*

## PLAYLIST

A seriously abridged compendium of recent and future CD releases

- Wizenized Harley-metal Britishers **Motörhead** were the crusty working-man's yin to Slayer's young and crazily evil yang when thrash metal was on the rise and no one really knew what to say, except for "posers die!" Those days may be over, but in the meantime, this smelly trio of tobacco smokers has been making albums all along! *Bad Magic*, their 22<sup>nd</sup> album, is full of weird surprises, like a box of Cracker Jack for thrash-metal maniacs, because weird surprises amuse people who still take leather seriously as a fashion statement. The first surprise is that there is a cover of the Rolling Stones' "Sympathy for the Devil" (see what they did there?), and the second surprise is that Queen guitarist Brian May, of all people, plays a solo on some song called "The Devil."
- Mission-of-Burma wannabes **Yo La Tengo** will release their millionth album, *Stuff Like That There*, so that you can once again try to figure out why they became the indie version of Tony Bennett, when they enjoyed that rebirth during the Aughts. I have a copy of their 2006 album, *I Am Not Afraid of You and I Will Beat Your Ass*, somewhere in the unspeakable morass of nonsense I call a closet, but this album will be nothing like that unfocused record, since this new album focuses on cover songs, just like their 1990 *Fakebook* album. This time, they cover Sun Ra, The Cure and Hank Williams. Probably an unlistenable pile of weirdness, but that's what the people demand, so don't argue.
- Everyone's favorite orchestral-indie-pop band, **Grandchildren**, releases its new album, *Zuni*. This is big news, because, well, gimme a second. Wait, why is this in my "This Is Important" list? It's being released via Bandcamp — cripes, I could do that, with my knowledge of Amazonian gorilla mating calls, just cold make an album and get rich. And there's no advance music for me to inspect and bloviate about. Their older stuff sounds like Wilco making fun of Grizzly Bear, sort of minimalist techno loop-age and Beach Boys singing. It's OK. But is it important?
- And finally there's **The Weeknd**, with a new LP, *Beauty Behind The Madness*. Some PR lady keeps telling me about it, I forget who, and it's in my "Important" list. I could just pretend... oh, let's just go listen to some of this. We'll eat ice cream and cry together. No, don't click the thing there that says "Full Album," it's probably a 4Chan kid trying to get the log-in information on that expired Applebee's gift card. Yeah, click that one, the one that says "untitled song." Hmm, this untitled song isn't bad, sort of techno-mellow like Figurine, but it does have a pulse. The beat's kind of hip-hoppy, and this Weeknd person sampled some random screaming and made it into a mellow loop thing. It's fine for a hipster flavor of the month. — *Eric W. Saeger*

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# TOOTING Manchester's horn

## Author explores Millyard history

By Kelly Sennott  
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When Manchester author Aurore Eaton worked at the Millyard Museum, guests would often come up to her and ask for a comprehensive history book about the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company.

And whenever this happened, Eaton, who was the Manchester Historic Association director from 2008 to 2014, had to inform them that, sadly, they were 100 years too late. Sure, there were books about the place — like *Amoskeag: Life and Work in an American Factory City*, written in 1978, and also local photographer Gary Samson's book about the mills — but the last attempt at a full company history was by George Waldo Browne in 1915.

Needless to say, when she eventually came to write and put together *The Amoskeag Manufacturing Company: A History of Enterprise on the Merrimack River*, her first book, she knew there would be an audience. And probably a large audience, when you consider the role the company played in the city's stature today.

"Manchester is a unique city. It really was developed by this one company," Eaton said during an interview over coffee in Manchester last week.

Owners chose the location because of the power of the water that flowed over Amoskeag Falls in the Merrimack River. There was also little developed here back in 1831.

"These were some of the same people who developed Lowell and Waltham, Mass., and when they came here, they were just better able to really gain a whole lot more control of the landscape," she said. "If you've ever come to Manchester on an airplane and looked out the window, you see it's all developed on a grid system, which is not like any other city in New England. ... It's almost like a Midwestern city, the way it's laid out."

Streets were straight, blocks were square, and the millyard sat at the center, with brick workers' housing on the outskirts. But Amoskeag's influence didn't end architecturally.

"The company also had a lot of [political] influence in the city because it was always the major employer until it closed in 1936," she said. "The local managers who worked there would also be members in the committee planning the sewer system, the water system. ... There was a lot of overlap between the municipal government and the way the companies would run."

Eaton wrote the book chronologically and

divided it into short, thematic chapters, telling of the company during wars, floods, child labor, strikes and a flywheel disaster. Between those are lots of photos, many courtesy of the Manchester Historic Association, and personal stories that help illustrate these themes.

Her former job and her own curiosity meant she already had lots of information and resources before she decided to write the book. Unlike most contracts, hers started with History Press reaching out to her; reps at the publishing company had seen her weekly Union Leader columns, "Looking Back," which she'd been writing since 2011, and asked if she'd be interested in publishing a collection of them.

"Which ... would have worked to some extent, but I really wanted it to be cohesive, rather than just a series of columns," she said.

Plus, she had this whole list of topics she'd been itching to look into but couldn't yet justify taking the time to do so. So, in 2014, she began delving into Manchester Historic Association archives, old newspapers and articles to finally write that Amoskeag history book. She found tidbits and narratives that surprised even her — for instance, that there were workers at Amoskeag who helped develop one of the first fire engines. That even when child labor laws came into effect, there were people who bypassed them.

(She points to Valeda Tourigny, who began working in the mills at age 11 by using her dead sister Cora's birth certificate. From then on, everyone called her Cora.) She found some quotes from Thoreau about his trip through Manchester's transportation canal.

She hopes the book will bring about some more appreciation of the old city.

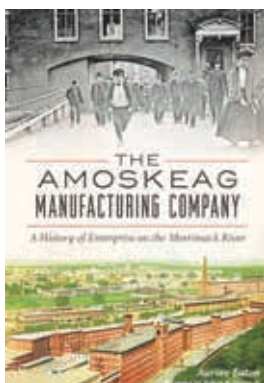
"Lowell has a national park, so I think people are more familiar with what happened in Lowell, and because they have the whole mill girl history, which was coming to an end by the time Manchester got started," she said. "But I think Manchester doesn't toot its own horn nearly as much as it should about its own importance."

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# POP CULTURE BOOKS

*The Full Catastrophe*, by James Angelos (Crown Publishers, 285 pages)

Greece has the population of Ohio. New York City produces more than three times its goods and services. So why does the Europe quake over the financial woes of this dainty peninsular nation, and how did it get billions of euros in debt anyway?

James Angelos explains all in the aptly titled *The Full Catastrophe*, in which he travels through “the new Greek ruins,” which are not the Acropolis and Parthenon, but cities and towns wrecked by the country’s near bankruptcy. A journalist and former correspondent for The Wall Street Journal, he has an advantage many of his colleagues lack: Greek ancestry, which opened doors that would otherwise have been slammed. Some Greeks, it turns out, won’t talk to a James, but open up to someone introduced as Demetri (his middle name). And when they talk, their stories astonish.

They reveal a people and a government so casually corrupt that convicted murderers remain on city payrolls and people fake blindness to get disability benefits. They suggest a country still boiling with World War II resentments — for that matter, Ottoman Empire resentments — that consider multiple bailouts an entitlement for the long-past wrongs of previous generations. They present a system of governance, once the envy of the world, gone cray-cray. And for other countries with increasing debt (not to name any names, but the initials are U.S.), they are a warning.

The “Troika,” to the Greeks, is an unholy trinity: the European Commission, the International Monetary Fund and the European



Central Bank. Greece sees it as the villain in its current financial crisis, because of its insistence that, as a condition for billions in financial assistance, the Greeks reform virtually every aspect of their life, from private homes to public buildings, and submit to quarterly examinations. “The specificity of the required measures — the simplification of customs procedures for feta cheese exports, or the creation of a nationwide system of cadastral offices — underscored the Troika’s lack of faith that Greece could reform itself without strict oversight,” Angelos writes.

Consequently, “To a lot of Greek citizens, therefore, the rescue seemed more like a new foreign occupation.”

To Americans whose parents and grandparents weathered World War II an ocean away from Hitler, Greece’s ongoing tension with Germany may seem overwrought. (Despite the Germans’ multiple, generous contributions to the bailouts, when Chancellor Angela Merkel visited, protesters gathered.)

But, as William Faulkner wrote, “The past is never dead. It isn’t even past,” and that is particularly true in Greece, where old men and women who witnessed Nazi atrocities during Germany’s occupation still instruct the young and where the man (still vibrant and leading yet another resistance movement at age 93) who ripped the Nazi flag from the Parthenon is idolized as a national hero.

That man, Manolis Glezos, had a brother who was executed by the Nazis, and visitors still decorate the grave with flowers, while Glezos bemoans “creditor-serving politicians” and denounces the Troika in American publications. His story alone, which Angelos tells in rich and poignant detail, goes a

long way to help explain the current turmoil in Greece. Unflinching sketches of assorted corruptions and unwarranted enrichment fill in the rest.

Angelos begins with a story he reported for The Wall Street Journal three years ago: how a bewildering percentage of the population of a Greek island called Zakynthos mysteriously lost its sight. Or, shall we say, lost its sight, but miraculously continued to drive and hunt.

“The Island of the Blind,” as it was dubbed by cynics, had nine times the prevalence of blindness of other European countries, with nearly 700 of the island’s 39,000 residents collecting a benefit of up to 724 euros six times a year, along with other forms of compensation, such as discounts on utilities. Angelos went to the island and interviewed the people who collected the benefit, as well as the government officials and doctors who authorized their payments. While some denied involvement, others freely admitted it, justifying their deception on the basis of need, betrayal or corruption so widespread that one more dip in the trough won’t make a dent.

But don’t pack your bags and plan to move to Greece with your hand out. A subsequent police investigation cracked down on the “blind” and ended benefits for 498 of 680 people receiving it.

This and other anecdotes of entitlement run amok (in contrast, America’s social safety net appears pristine) make for an engaging account of the financial meltdown that has dominated international news for much of five years, and, despite recent progress toward resolution, will likely continue. As the birthplace of democracy, Greece is revered by western nations, but *The Full Catastrophe* is not a flattering portrait, but a warts-and-all portrait of what happens to a country when austerity becomes a bad word. America, take heed. **B+** — Jennifer Graham

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### Beastly Verse

by JooHee Yoon, 2015  
(Poetry, ages 4-8)



JooHee Yoon presents a collection of lively poems about animals written by a variety of poets — some well-known (Ogden Nash, Lewis Carroll, et al.) and some less so. Yoon’s colorful illustrations capture the essence of each poem, including four surprise foldouts. Read aloud, this book is a wonderful way to enjoy poetry through both sound and sight.

## OUT NEXT WEEK

### Another Day

by David Levithan



#### Hits shelves:

Aug. 25

#### Author best

#### known for:

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*Every Day*

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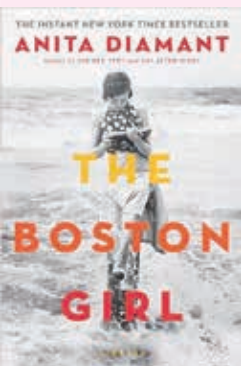
#### review:

“Like [Every Day], the theme and

tone line up pretty much perfectly with Levithan’s dreamy, higher-than-the-stars characters and ideas.” — Kirkus Reviews



# Book Report



Massachusetts-based author Anita Diamant (known for *The Red Tent*) visits The Music Hall Loft (131 Congress St., Portsmouth) just in time for the paperback release of her latest bestseller, *The Boston Girl*, which tells of a young Jewish girl, Addie Baum, growing up in Boston. Her event at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 25, has already sold out, but tickets for her 8 p.m. meet-and-greet signing are still available (\$16, visit [themusichall.org](http://themusichall.org), call 436-2400). She recently talked to the Hippo about *The Boston Girl*.

**Inspiration:** I used to drive past Rockport Lodge, which is in a neighborhood I'm part of in Rockport. I saw a friend of mine there walk out of the door one day. ... She said it was a woman's-only lodge, and that it had been founded many years prior, and that was all a surprise. ... I thought there had to be a story there.

**Research:** I had started thinking I would write a book about the whole history of [Rockport Lodge]. ... But then I started doing research and fell in love with the teens and '20s period, which is when it started. I was fascinated by what was going on in history, and in particular, women's history in the Boston area. ... One of the people I interviewed had a grandmother who had been a Rockport Lodge girl. ... [Her grandmother] had also worked in the Bennett Street Settlement House, which led to my interest in the Saturday Evening Girls Club and the Revere Pottery Studio. ... It was really fun to be able to do research on where I live.

**Making cuts:** Lots of things fascinated me that didn't make it into the book. They didn't further the plot or help explain any of the characters. Those things had to go, which is sometimes very sad, but that's how it goes.

**History of journalism:** My experience as a journalist is so different from [Addie Baum's] experience in journalism. And the world of journalism has changed so much since I was working at The Phoenix. Though people still made passes at the girls in the office. ... One of the things I got to do by putting her in the newsroom was talk about women's roles without talking about women's roles. ... Men didn't want to type. ... The ladies section was often written by men and was considered trivial but was also very important in terms of advertising. ... It also allows Addie to see anti-lynching organizations, which she would never come across.

**Responses:** There's been a lot of identification with Addie as a person, both from women who are grandmothers and from women who had grandmothers like that, or wish they had grandmothers like that. ... I was actually at an event last night, where one woman told me she had to keep reminding herself it wasn't Brooklyn. I also heard last night a really lovely thing — a woman gave the book to her grandmother and it opened a floodgate. [Her grandmother] started telling her stories. — *Kelly Sennott*

Western Hotel, 13500 S. Willow St., Manchester.

• **AUORE EATON** Author talks about *The Amoskeag Manufacturing Company: A History of Enterprise on the Merrimack River*. Sat., Aug. 22, at 1 p.m. Toadstool Bookshop, 614 Nashua St., Milford. Visit [toadbooks.com/event](http://toadbooks.com/event). She also speaks on Wed., Sept. 16, at 7 p.m. Derry Public Library, 64 E. Broadway, Derry, and on Sat., Sept. 19, at 2 p.m. Millyard Museum, 200 Bedford St., Manchester.

• **ERIC STANWAY** Author signs/discusses *Bill the Butcher: The Life and Death of William Poole*, gang leader popularized in *Gangs of New York*. Sat., Aug. 22, at 2 p.m. Toadstool Bookshop, 12 Depot Square, Peterborough. Call 924-3543, visit [toadbooks.com](http://toadbooks.com).

• **ELIZABETH MARSHALL THOMAS** Author talks about *A Million Years With You: A Memoir of Life Observed* part of Tory Hill Authors Series. Sat., Aug. 22, at 7 p.m. Warner Town Hall, Main St., Warner. Visit [toryhill-authorsseries.com](http://toryhill-authorsseries.com).

• **LEAF SELIGMAN** Workshop discussion around new book, *A Pocket Book of Prompts*, collection of more than 70 questions/writing prompts. Sat., Aug. 22, at 11 a.m. Toadstool Bookshop, 12 Depot Square, Peterborough. Call 924-3543, visit [toadbooks.com](http://toadbooks.com).

• **ANITA DIAMANT** New York Times bestselling author of *The Red Tent* and *Day After Night*; author talks about new book, *The Boston Girl*. Tues., Aug. 25, at 8 p.m. The Music Hall Loft, 131 Congress St., Portsmouth. \$16 for post event meet-and-greet, includes copy of new paperback. Major event is sold out. Call 436-2400, visit [themusichall.org](http://themusichall.org).

• **FRED MARPLE** Imaginary Frost Heaves character played by Ken Sheldon talks about *Welcome to Frost Heaves*. Wed., Aug. 26, at 6:30 p.m. Wadleigh Memorial Library, 49 Nashua St., Milford. Visit [wadleighlibrary.org](http://wadleighlibrary.org), call 249-0645.

• **A CELEBRATION OF MAXINE KUMIN** Celebrating life of Warner poet and posthumously published memoir, *The Pawnbroker's Daughter*. Thurs., Aug. 27, at 7 p.m. Gibson's Bookstore, 45 S. Main St., Concord. Call 224-0562, visit [gibsonsbookstore.com](http://gibsonsbookstore.com).

• **DEBORAH GORLIN** Author reads/signs new collection of poems, *Life of the Garment*. Sat., Aug. 29, at 2 p.m. Toadstool Bookshop, 12 Depot Square, Peterborough. Call 924-3543, visit [toadbooks.com](http://toadbooks.com).

• **R.A. SALVATORE** Fantasy author talks about newest novel, *Archmage*. Thurs., Sept. 10, at 7 p.m. Gibson's Bookstore, 45 S. Main St., Concord. Call 224-0562, visit [gibsonsbookstore.com](http://gibsonsbookstore.com).

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• **RON PAPPALARDO** Author about *The Other Side of Loss*. Thurs., Aug. 21, at 7 p.m. Best

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Aug. 27<sup>th</sup> • 7:00pm • Maxine Kumin

Join us for a celebration of Maxine Kumin's life! Suzy Colt, Maxine's long-time personal assistant and friend, presents a slideshow presentation of Maxine's life, and discusses Kumin's posthumously published memoir, *The Pawnbroker's Daughter*. A selection of her works will read by local poets to round out the evening.



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**Aurore Eaton**  
Saturday, Aug. 22, 1 p.m.

The popular *Union Leader* history columnist (*Looking Back*) visits to discuss the revolutionary industry and lasting significance of *The Amoskeag Manufacturing Company: A History of Enterprise on the Merrimack River*. From Civil War musket barrels to its iconic gingham, the Manchester mills have been a story of its workers coupled with economic leadership.

**Lorrie Thomson**  
Saturday, Aug. 29, 11 a.m.

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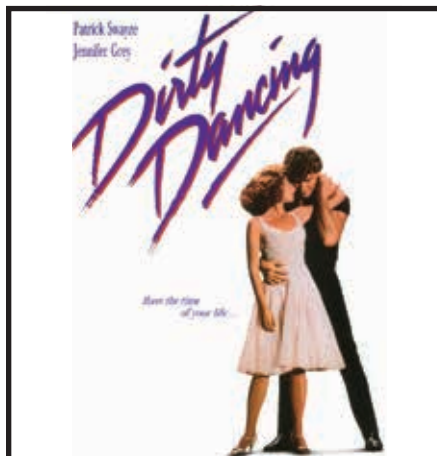
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• **Irrational Man** (R, 2015) Thurs., Aug. 20, at 5:25 p.m.  
• **Mad Max: Fury Road** (R, 2015) Thurs., Aug. 20, at 2 & 7:40 p.m.  
• **Amy** (R, 2015) Thurs., Aug. 20, at 7:30 p.m.  
• **A Lego Brickumentary** (G, 2015) Thurs., Aug. 20, at 2:10 & 5:35 p.m.  
• **The End of the Tour** (R, 2015) Fri., Aug. 21, at 1:30, 3:50, 6:10 & 8:30 p.m.; Sat., Aug. 22, at 1:30, 3:50, 6:10 & 8:30 p.m.; Sun., Aug. 23, at 1:30, 3:50 & 6:10 p.m.; Mon., Aug. 24, at 5:35 & 8 p.m.; Tues., Aug. 25, at 2, 5:35 & 8 p.m.; Wed., Aug. 26, at 5:35 & 8 p.m.; & Thurs., Aug. 27, at 2, 5:35 & 8 p.m.

• **The Overnight** (R, 2015) Fri., Aug. 21, at 3:45, 7 & 8:30 p.m.; Sat., Aug. 22, at 7 & 8:30 p.m.; Sun., Aug. 23, at 3:45 p.m.; Mon., Aug. 24, at 7 p.m.; Tues., Aug. 25, at 2:10 & 7 p.m.; Wed., Aug. 26, at 7 p.m.; & Thurs., Aug. 27, at 2:10 & 7 p.m.  
• **2015 Concord: 15 Stories About Now** (NR, 2015) Fri., Aug. 21, at 2:15 & 5:30 p.m.; Sat., Aug. 22, at

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• **Dirty Dancing** (PG-13, 1987) Thurs., Aug. 27, at 6:30 p.m.

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• **Mr. Holmes** (PG, 2015) Thurs., Aug. 20, through Thurs., Aug. 27, at 7:30 p.m. Additional screenings Sun., Aug. 23, at 2 & 4:30 p.m.  
• **Infinitely Polar Bear** (R, 2014) Fri., Aug. 21, through Thurs., Aug. 27, at 7:30 p.m. Additional screenings Sun., Aug. 23, at 2 & 4:30 p.m.  
• **Good Morning Vietnam** (R, 1987) Sat., Aug. 22, at 4:30 p.m.  
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• **Million Dollar Arm** (PG, 2014) Fri., Aug. 28, at 3:30 p.m.

**VETERANS PARK**  
889 Elm St., Manchester  
• **Finding Nemo** (G, 2003) Thursday, Aug. 20, at 7 p.m.  
• **The Lego Movie** (PG, 2014) Thursday Aug. 27, at 7 p.m.

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• **Love & Mercy** (PG-13, 2014) Thurs., Aug. 20, at 7 p.m.  
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• **Results** (R, 2015) Fri., Aug. 21, at 7 p.m.; Sun., Aug. 23, at 7 p.m.; Wed., Aug. 26, at 7 p.m.; Thurs., Aug. 27, at 7 p.m.  
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# NITE Doobie and then some

John McFee talks to the Hippo

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Before he became a Doobie Brother in 1979, John McFee was a member of Clover, a band that included Huey Lewis and had the distinction of backing Elvis Costello on his first album. He was also a go-to session musician, playing steel guitar on albums by Van Morrison, Boz Scaggs and Steve Miller, and he's likely the only musician hired for a Grateful Dead studio album. During an early 1980s break from the Doobies, McFee enjoyed country music success with Southern Pacific. McFee, who plays with the Doobies and Gregg Allman at Meadowbrook Aug. 22, spoke with the Hippo from his home in Southern California.

## How well did you know the Doobie Brothers before you joined?

The name first really connected when I heard "Listen to the Music" on the radio. I thought, "Wow, that's a great-sounding record. Who is that? I'm going to make a point of going to see those guys." Then I got hold of an album and realized ... they're incorporating a bunch of musical styles, which is something that I always admired in groups and aspired to do in my own efforts. So I did see them and followed them a bit before I was in the group.

## One Step Closer was your first studio album as a Doobie; you co-wrote the title song with Keith Knudsen and Carlene Carter, at the time married to Elvis Costello's producer Nick Lowe. How did that happen?

I had written all the music, [but] I didn't have the time to write lyrics because ... I had to go to England to record with Elvis Costello — I committed to doing some work with him — so I turned it over to Carlene. She said, "I have this title idea, but I really don't know where to go with it." So Keith and I were good buddies and I had worked with Carlene before — she is such a smart girl and a great lyricist, so I felt comfortable turning it over to them to see what they could come up with. ... They wrote the lyrics, I wrote the music.

## Clover backed Elvis on his first album, My Aim Is True. How did an obscure California band get that project?

Clover was a great band, but we couldn't get it going. Then one day we got this phone



The Doobie Brothers. Courtesy photo.

call out of the blue ... a guy with a British accent who said, "I'm a drummer [and] a whole bunch of musicians in London think you guys are right up there with The Band ... the best of North American music." We said, "What?" He said, "Some of my buddies have the No. 1 album in the U.K.; they're playing Winterland next month [and] want to meet you." We bought Billboard to see if he was telling us the truth. Sure enough, here's this group Dr. Feelgood. ... That is how we first met Nick Lowe and Jake Riviera — Nick Jakeman. Unbelievably, within three months we had signed a deal and moved lock, stock and barrel to England. The drummer's name was Pete Thomas. ... I tell him he changed my life more than any other single person with that phone call out of the blue.

## Did you play on Grateful Dead's From the Mars Hotel because Jerry Garcia couldn't cut it on steel guitar?

That's the rumor. The fact is, the Grateful Dead don't use studio musicians. I might be the only one really. ... I guess they weren't happy with whatever Jerry was coming up with on the steel guitar and wanted something more. They hired me because I was *the guy* in the Bay Area and I was lucky enough to come in. ... I was surprised when they called. I said, "Why not let Jerry do it?" They said, "Well, uh, we want *you*." As for the real story, honestly, you'd have to ask them. But I was a hired gun on that one.

**Southbound is the latest Doobie Brothers album, made with help from some big names in country music. Given your background with Southern Pacific, how was playing with performers like Brad Paisley**

## and Chris Young?

I spent a lot of time in Nashville doing gigs and sessions when Keith and I formed Southern Pacific [and] I played with some of the guys. ... I grew up playing country music [and] discovered rock and roll later on when The Beatles came out. Everybody wanted to have a band and they'd say, "Well that McFee kid already knows how to play, let's get him." I really started getting exposed to pop music and then blues and jazz. It opened up my musical world almost in a backwards fashion. But my roots are country, so playing country-fied version of Doobie Brothers songs — that felt pretty comfortable for me.

## How is a kid from Santa Cruz, California, such a big country fan?

I am from Santa Cruz originally, but we moved around the state; my dad worked in oil fields. I'm part of a subculture known as oil field trash. Country music was huge in California when I was growing up in the 1950s. Merle Haggard and the Bakersfield Sound came out of that. That's my background. A lot of people think it's strange that I'm a surfer and [also a] guy that grew up playing hillbilly music. That's one of the cool things about California — it's got everything.

## What's the best thing about touring with the Doobies now?

It's always been about the music. That's what attracted me to the band in the first place [and] that's what keeps it interesting. We're dinosaurs in a way, I guess, but we're guys that just like to play music. So that is what keeps us going and gives us energy. We're lucky enough to still have fans that still want to hear us. ... We're really lucky guys. 🍷

## Doobie Brothers & Gregg Allman

**When:** Saturday, Aug. 22, 8 p.m.

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<b>Bedford</b> <b>Copper Door:</b> Rick Watson	<b>Derry</b> <b>Drae:</b> Jen Whitmore	<b>Gilford</b> <b>Patrick's:</b> Paul Warnick	<b>Hanover</b> <b>Canoe Club:</b> Rowley Hazard <b>Salt hill Pub:</b> Irish Trad' Session Randy Miller/Roger Kahle	<b>Londonderry</b> <b>Coach Stop:</b> Paul Rainone	
<b>Boscawen</b> <b>Alan's:</b> John Pratt in Lounge	<b>Dover</b> <b>7th Settlement:</b> George Woods <b>Cara:</b> Bluegrass w/ Steve Roy <b>Fury's:</b> Forget Forget	<b>Hampton</b> <b>Ashworth Breakers:</b> Evan Goodrow <b>Ashworth By The Sea:</b> Black Agnes <b>Boardwalk:</b> Ryan Williamson <b>Savory Square:</b> Max Sullivan <b>Sea Ketch:</b> Children's Festival/ Ross McGinnes/Steve Tolley	<b>Laconia</b> <b>Holy Grail Lakes:</b> Jared Steer	<b>Manchester</b> <b>Central Ale:</b> Jonny Friday Blues <b>City Sports Grille:</b> DJ Dave <b>Derryfield:</b> Rob & Jody (Deck) <b>Fratello's:</b> Jazz Night <b>Karma:</b> DJ Midas, SP1 & Reed on drums <b>KC's Rib Shack:</b> Rob Thomas	
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**Tiebreakers:** Brian Weeks

**Moultonborough**  
**Castle in the Clouds:** Joe Gattuso/Brad Myrick

**Nashua**  
**110 Grill:** Carlos V Ramos  
**Arena:** College Night, DJ Hizzy  
**Country Tavern:** Johnnie James  
**Fratello's:** Doug Thompson  
**Portland Pie:** Acoustic Series

**Newington**  
**Paddy's:** Elijah Clark

**Newmarket**  
**Riverworks:** Don Severance  
**Stone Church:** Jordan Tirrell-  
Wysocki & Jim Prendergast

**Plaistow**  
**Racks:** Blues Jam, Steve Devine

**Portsmouth**  
**Dolphin Striker:** Sharon Jones  
and Express  
**Fat Belly's:** DJ Flex  
**Portsmouth Book & Bar:** One  
Up, Two Down  
**Portsmouth Gaslight:** Jimmy &  
Marcelle  
**Red Door:** Blessed State/Sun  
Lions/F\*ck-o/Bunny Boy  
**Rudi's:** Sal Hughes, John Hunter

**Thirsty Moose:** Southern Belles

**Rochester**  
**Governor's Inn:** Tony Santese  
**Smokey's Tavern:** Evan Brock

**Seabrook**  
**Chop Shop:** Artty Raynes  
  
**Weare**  
**Stark House:** Lisa Guyer Solo

**Windham**  
**Common Man:** Triana Wilson

**Friday, Aug. 21**  
**Belmont**  
**Lakes Region Casino:** DJ Russ

**Boscawen**  
**Alan's:** Jim Connors

**Bristol**  
**Purple Pit:** Geoff Countryman's  
Buffalo Band Presents: "Martial  
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**Claremont**  
**New Socials:** Brett Wilson

**Concord**  
**Makris:** Tore Down House  
**Pit Road Lounge:** Rock 2 The  
Rooftop (Multiple Bands)  
**Red Blazer:** Randy Arrant  
**Tandy's:** DJ Iceman Streetz  
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**True Brew:** Holmes Band

**Derry**  
**Drae:** Joel Cage  
**Cara:** Club Night w/ DJ  
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**Fury's:** Roots, Rhythm and Dub

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Fridays

**Epping**  
**Holy Grail:** Robert Charles  
**Telly's:** Brian Johnson

**Gilford**  
**Patrick's:** Dustin Ladale

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**Village Trestle:** Joe McDonald

**Hampton**  
**Ashworth Breakers:** DJ Dan  
**Ashworth By The Sea:** Acoustic  
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**Boardwalk Inn:** James Dozet  
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**Savory Square:** Chris Hayes  
**Sea Ketch:** Children's Festival/  
Doug Mitchell/Cory Brackett/  
Dogfather Duo  
**The Goat:** Nashville Roads  
**Wally's Pub:** Wildside

**Hanover**  
**Canoe Club:** Rowley Hazard

**Hillsborough**  
**Turismo:** The Ghost Cats

**Hooksett**  
**Asian Breeze:** Susan Goyette &  
Bruce Flower Duo

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**Coach Stop:** Kieran McNally  
**Whippersnappers:** Groove Alliance

**Manchester**  
**Central Ale House:** Peter Fogarty/Queen City Soul  
**City Sports Grille:** DJ Dave  
**Derryfield:** Last Laugh/John Ridlon (Deck)  
**Drynk:** DJs Jason Spivak & Sammy Smoove  
**Fratello's:** Paul Luff  
**KC's Rib Shack:** Jonny Friday  
**ManchVegas:** Walkin' The Line  
**Milly's:** Before The Street Lights  
**Murphy's Taproom:** Brad Bosse/Mugsy  
**N'awlins:** Rob Wolfe  
**Penuche's:** Lucid/Elephant  
**Shaskeen:** Tom Dixon Band  
**Tin Roof:** Fridays With Frydae  
**Wild Rover:** Pop Farmers  
**Zaboo:** Dueling Pianos

**Meredith**  
**Giuseppe's:** Michael Bourgeois

**Merrimack**  
**Homestead:** Steve Sibulkin

**Milford**  
**Chapanga's:** Rob Benton  
**Tiebreakers:** Bobby Allwarden

**Nashua**  
**5 Dragons:** Stuntmen/Fang  
**Country Tavern:** Kim Riley  
**Fody's:** Bohen Lebrox  
**Fratello's Italian Grille:** Tim Gurshin  
**Haluwa:** Bad Medicine  
**Riverwalk Cafe:** Hot Day at the Zoo  
**Thirsty Turtle:** Hunter

**New Boston**  
**Molly's:** Ton Rousso /John Chouinard

**Newington**  
**Paddy's American Grille:** Back On The Train

**Newmarket**  
**Riverworks:** Pete Peterson  
**Stone Church:** Red Sky Mary

**Peterborough**  
**Harlow's:** Shea Vaccaro

**Plaistow**  
**Racks:** Lamprey River Straits

**Portsmouth**  
**Blue Mermaid:** Dan Porter & Joe Harding  
**Demeters:** Michael Troy  
**Dolphin Striker:** Velvis Underground  
**Martingale:** D Comp Band  
**Portsmouth Gaslight:** Monkeys With Hammers/DJ Koko P/Sev/Tony Santesse  
**Red Door:** Mike Swells  
**Ri Ra:** Drew Yount  
**Rudi's:** Duke  
**Thirsty Moose:** Groovin' You

**Rochester**  
**Governor's Inn:** Tom Emerson  
**Radloff's:** Dancing Madly Backwards Duo

**Rochester**  
**Smokey's Tavern:** Monkey Fist Incident

**Seabrook**  
**Chop Shop:** Stomping Melvin

**Weare**  
**Stark House:** Don Bartenstein

**Windham**  
**Red's Tavern:** Deviant

**Saturday, Aug. 22**  
**Boscawen**  
**Alan's:** City of Dayle

**Bristol**  
**Back Room at the Mill:** Joel Cage  
**Purple Pit:** Geoff Countryman's Buffalo Band Presents: "Martial Deception"

**Concord**  
**Hermanos:** Julie Dougherty  
**Penuche's Ale House:** Laid to Dust  
**Pit Road Lounge:** C-Spot  
**Tandy's:** DJ Iceman Streetz (105.5 JYY)

**Dover**  
**Cara:** Club Night w/ DJ Shawunny O

**Epping**  
**Holy Grail:** Boo Boo Groove  
**Telly's:** Dan Walker

**Tortilla Flat:** Ted Solovicos

**Gilford**  
**Patrick's:** New Prophets

**Goffstown**  
**Village Trestle:** Roxanne & the Voodoo Rockers

**Hampton**  
**Ashworth Breakers:** Black Agnes  
**Ashworth By The Sea:** Kenny Brothers  
**Boardwalk Inn:** Amanda McCarthy  
**North Beach Bar & Grille:** Brickyard Blues  
**Savory Square:** Sharon Jones  
**Sea Ketch:** Leo and Co/Steve Tolley  
**The Goat:** Annie Brobst  
**Wally's Pub:** Bailout

**Hanover**  
**Canoe Club:** Rowley Hazard  
**Salt Hill Pub:** Better Days Band

**Hillsborough**  
**Turismo:** Ghost Cats

**Hooksett**  
**Tap House Grille:** Pig Roast

**Laconia**  
**Holy Grail Lakes:** Paul Hubert  
**Naswa:** Eric Grant Band/DJ Terry  
**Paradise Beach Club:** Mugsy  
**Patio Garden:** Lee Ames Trio  
**Tower Hill:** Jodie Cunningham

**Londonderry**  
**Coach Stop:** Lachlan Maclearn  
**Whippersnappers:** Souled Out Show Band

**Loudon**  
**Hungry Buffalo:** 3 Of Clubs Band

**Manchester**  
**Central Ale:** The Deviant/On2  
**City Sports Grille:** Sweetrock  
**Derryfield:** Chad LaMarsh Band/Brad Myrick Duo (Deck)  
**Fratello's:** Chris Cavanaugh  
**Jewel:** Carolina Burn  
**Karma:** The Hallorans  
**KC's Rib Shack:** Chris Gardner  
**ManchVegas:** Ryan McHugh Band

**COMEDY THIS WEEK AND BEYOND**

**Thursday, Aug. 20**  
**Derry**  
**Halligan:** Joe List  
(Last Comic Standing)

**Hudson**  
**Soho:** Comedy on Purpose - Alana Susko

**Saturday, Aug. 22**  
**Derry**  
**Hilltop Pizzeria:** Dueling Pianos

**Hampton Beach**  
**Casino Ballroom:** Frank Caliendo

**Manchester**  
**Headliners:** Kelly Macfarland

**Meredith**  
**Hart's Turkey Farm:** Mike Koutrobis

**Sunday, Aug. 23**  
**Rochester**  
**Radloff's:** Mike Koutrobis

**Monday, Aug. 24**  
**Concord**  
**Penuche's:** Open Comedy Punchlines

**Hampton Beach**  
**Casino Ballroom:** John Mulaney

**Nashua**  
**Thirsty Turtle:** Open Comedy Challenge

**Wed., Aug. 26**  
**Londonderry**  
**Whippersnappers:** Comedy on Purpose

**Manchester**  
**Murphy's:** Laugh Free Or Die Open Mic  
**Shaskeen:** Josh Gondleman (John Oliver)



**Billy's:** Acoustic Tribute to Tributes  
**Murphy's Taproom:** Peter Higgins/Best Not Broken  
**N'awlins:** Acoustic Baza  
**Salas:** Songs With Molly  
**Shaskeen:** The Joshua Tree  
**Wild Rover:** John Ridlon Duo  
**Zaboo:** Dueling Pianos

**Meredith**  
**Giuseppe's:** Andre Balazs

**Merrimack**  
**Homestead:** Paul Luff

**Milford**  
**Aden China:** DJ Brian  
**Lefty's Lanes:** Justin Cohn  
**Union Coffee:** The Doodads & Don'ts/Eli & the Mammoth

**Nashua**  
**Boston Billiard Club:** DJ Anthem Throwback  
**Dolly Shakers:** Crooked Earth  
**Fody's:** Casual Six  
**Fratello's:** Kim Riley  
**Haluwa:** Bad Medicine  
**Riverwalk Cafe:** Donkilo! Afro Funk Orchestra  
**Thirsty Turtle:** Terminal Velocity

**New Boston**  
**Molly's:** Rich and Bobby/Willie Walker/The Boogie Men

**Newmarket**  
**Stone Church:** Red Tail Hawk w/ Stop Tito Collective

**Newport**  
**Salt Hill Pub:** Sound Junkies

**Plaistow**  
**Racks:** Spare Change

**Portsmouth**  
**Blue Mermaid:** Jah Spirit  
**British Beer:** Radio Daze  
**Demeters:** Wendy Nottonson  
**Dolphin Striker:** Nobody's Fault  
**Fat Belly's:** DJ Provo  
**Hilton Garden:** Pork Low Mainers  
**Martingale Wharf:** Michael Troy & Dave Mattacks  
**Portsmouth Book & Bar:** Great Bay Sailor (\$5)  
**Portsmouth Gaslight:** Chad Verbeck/Connption Fits/DJ Koko P/Paul Rainone/ Justin Cohn  
**Red Door:** Jeff LeClair/Harlock  
**Rudi's:** Mike Stockbridge Trio

**Portsmouth**  
**Thirsty Moose:** Bear Fight

**Rochester**  
**Governor's Inn:** The Toes Big 80'S

**Salem**  
**Barking Bean:** Dave LaCroix

**Seabrook**  
**Chop Shop:** Inner Child

**Weare**  
**Stark House Tavern:** Will Hatch

**Sunday, Aug. 23**  
**Bedford**  
**Copper Door:** Brad Myrick

**Concord**  
**Cheers:** Paul Lovely  
**Hermanos:** John Franzosa  
**Makris:** Johnny James

**Dover**  
**Cara:** Irish Session w/ Carol Coronis & Ramona Connelly  
**Dover Brickhouse:** Koffin Kats/OC45/A Minor Revolution  
**Sonny's:** Tim Webb

**Gilford**  
**Patrick's:** Sev

**Goffstown**  
**Village Trestle:** Blues Jam

**Hampton**  
**Ashworth By The Sea:** Roots Rhythm  
**Boardwalk Inn:** John "Shorty" Hill  
**North Beach Bar & Grille:** Rippin' E Brakes Duo  
**Sea Ketch:** Ray Zerkle/Dueling Pianos

**Hanover**  
**Canoe Club:** Rowley Hazard

**Hillsboro**  
**Tooky Mills:** Jerry "The Rev" Pauquette

**Hillsborough**  
**Mama McDonough's:** Brad Bosse

**Laconia**  
**Patio Garden:** Boardwalk Jazz Quartet

**Manchester**  
**Derryfield:** Jimmy & Marcelle (Deck)  
**Drynk:** Beach Bash w/ Sammy Smoove  
**KC's Rib Shack:** Rob Thomas  
**Murphy's Taproom:** Sinatra Sunday/Fred Ellsworth/Justin Cohn  
**Penuche's:** Amanda McCarthy  
**Shaskeen:** Rap night, Industry night  
**Strange Brew:** One Big Soul - Sit Session

**Meredith**  
**Giuseppe's:** Open Stage with Lou Porrazzo

**Milford**  
**Chapanga's:** Brett Wilson/Roots of Creation

**Nashua**  
**110 Grill:** Jeff Mrozek  
**Burton's Grill:** Aaron Chase  
**Riverwalk Cafe:** Celtic/North American Music Session

**Newmarket**  
**Stone Church:** Johnny & The Two Timers

**Portsmouth**  
**Dolphin Striker:** Cormack McCarthy  
**Portsmouth Book & Bar:** S Stephanie Retro Poetry/Art  
**Portsmouth Gaslight:** Brad Bosse/Jerks Of Grass  
**Red Door:** Green Lion Crew  
**Rudi's:** Jazz Brunch - Sal Hughes

**Rochester**  
**Governor's Inn:** Dan Walker  
**Lilac City Grille:** Brunch Music at 9:30 am  
**Radloff's:** James McGarvey

**Monday, Aug. 24**  
**Concord**  
**Hermanos:** John Franzosa

**Hampton**  
**Boardwalk Inn:** Joe Young  
**Sea Ketch:** Ray Zerkle/JD Ingalls

**Hanover**  
**Canoe Club:** Rowley Hazard

**Londonderry**  
**Whippersnappers:** Monday's Muse - Lisa Guyer w/ guest

**Manchester**  
**Derryfield:** MB Padfield (Deck)  
**Fratello's:** Rob Wolfe or Phil Jacques  
**Murphy's:** Paul Rainone

**Meredith**  
**Giuseppe's:** Lou Porrazzo

**Merrimack**  
**Homestead:** Doug Thompson

**Moultonborough**  
**Castle in the Clouds:** The Starlight Honeys

**Nashua**  
**Fratello's:** Chris Cavanaugh

**Portsmouth**  
**Dolphin Striker:** Old School

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**Tuesday, Aug. 25**  
**Concord**  
**Hermanos:** Scott Solsky

**Dover**  
**Fury's Publick House:** Tim Theriault  
**Sonny's:** Soggy Po' Boys

**Hampton**  
**Boardwalk Inn:** Barry Arvin Young  
**Sea Ketch:** Leo and Co/Steve Tolley

**Hanover**  
**Canoe Club:** Rowley Hazard

**Londonderry**  
**Whippersnappers:** VJ Mark/DJ Dave

**Manchester**  
**Derryfield:** Paul Rainone  
**Drynk:** Sammy Smoove & DJ Gera  
**Fratello's:** Amanda McCarthy  
**Milly's:** Manchuka  
**Murphy's Taproom:** Brad Bosse  
**Shaskeen:** Tristan Omand  
**Strange Brew:** David Rousseau

**Meredith**  
**Giuseppe's:** Michael Bourgeois

**Merrimack**  
**Homestead:** Paul Luff

**Nashua**  
**110 Grill:** Pat Gendron  
**Fratello's Italian Grille:** Ted Solovicos

**Newmarket**  
**Stone Church:** Bluegrass Jam w/Dave Talmage

**Peterborough**  
**Harlow's:** Celtic Music Night

**Portsmouth**  
**Blue Mermaid:** Seldom Playrights (Hank & Cash)  
**Dolphin Striker:** Dave Gerard  
**Portsmouth Gaslight:** Tom Emerson  
**Press Room:** Larry Garland Jazz Jam

**Wednesday, Aug. 26**  
**Concord**  
**Hermanos:** Scott Solsky

**Dover**  
**Fury's Publick House:** Badwolf

**Gilford**  
**Patrick's:** DJ Megan

**Hampton**  
**Ashworth By The Sea:** Hot Like Fire  
**Bernie's Beach Bar:** Rob Benton  
**Sea Ketch:** Leo and Co/Dave Gerard/Ross McGinnes

**Hanover**  
**Canoe Club:** Rowley Hazard

**Laconia**  
**Naswa:** Joe McDonald

**Manchester**  
**Derryfield:** Peter Higgins (Deck)  
**Fratello's:** Phil Jacques  
**Murphy's Taproom:** Scott McRae  
**Strange Brew:** David Rousseau  
**Tin Roof:** DJ Vicious  
**Zaboo:** Dance Music w/ Guest DJs

**Meredith**  
**Giuseppe's:** Paul Luff

**Merrimack**  
**Homestead:** Ted Solovicos  
**Tortilla Flat:** Brad Bosse

**Nashua**  
**Country Tavern:** Charlie Chronopolous Jam  
**Fratello's Italian Grille:** Chris Lester

**Portsmouth**  
**Dolphin Striker:** George Belli  
**Portsmouth Gaslight:** Rob Thomas  
**Red Door:** Jon Merwin (Ladies Night)  
**Ri Ra:** Erin's Guild  
**Rudi's:** Dimitri Solo Piano  
**Thirsty Moose:** Hot Like Fire

**Rochester**  
**Lilac City Grille:** Ladies Night Music  
**Radloff's:** Tony Santesse - Ladies Night

## NITE CONCERTS

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**The Flying Monkey** 39 S. Main St., Plymouth, 536-2551, flyingmonkeynh.com  
**Hampton Beach Casino Ballroom** 169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton Beach, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com

**Leddy Center** 38c Ladd's Lane, Epping, 679-2781, ledlycenter.org  
**Lowell Boarding House Park** 40 French St., Lowell, Mass., lowellsummermusic.org  
**Lowell Memorial Auditorium** East Merrimack Street, Lowell, Mass., 978-454-2299, lowellauditorium.com  
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**Verizon Wireless Arena** 555 Elm St., Manchester, 644-5000, verizonwirelessarena.com  
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• **Rascal Flatts** Friday, Aug. 21, 8 p.m. at Meadowbrook  
 • **Howard Jones** Friday, Aug. 21, 8 p.m. at Tupelo  
 • **B.B. King Memorial w/ Claudette King, James Montgomery** Friday, Aug. 21, 7:30 p.m. at Flying Monkey  
 • **Wood Brothers** Friday, Aug. 21, 7 p.m. at Prescott Park  
 • **Citizen Cope with Full Band**

Friday, Aug. 21, 8 p.m. at Casino Ballroom  
 • **Frank Caliendo** Saturday, Aug. 22, 8 p.m. at Casino Ballroom  
 • **Greg Allman/Doobie Brothers** Saturday, Aug. 22, 8 p.m. at Meadowbrook  
 • **Jazz Is Dead** Saturday, Aug. 22, 8 p.m. at Tupelo  
 • **Bob Schneider** Saturday, Aug. 22, 8 p.m. at Music Hall Loft

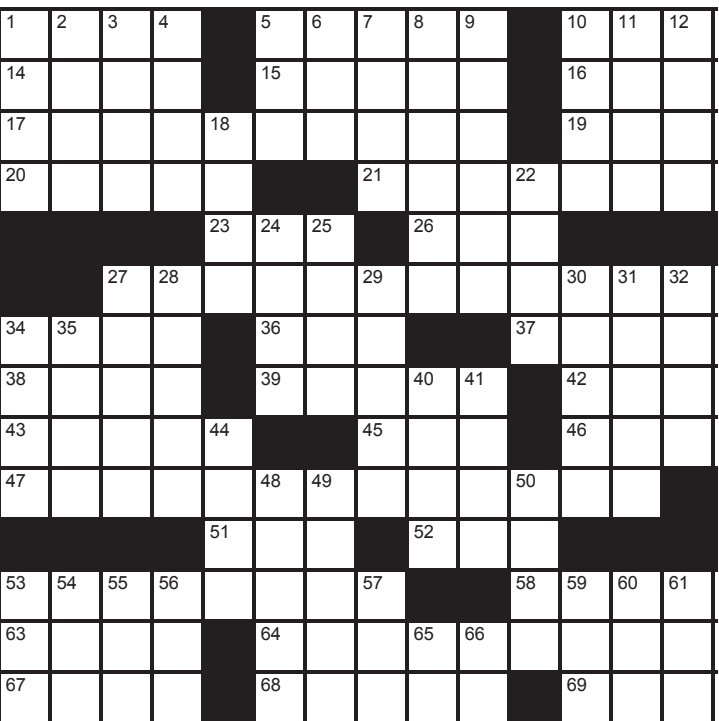
• **Willie Nelson/Old Crow Medicine Show** Sunday, Aug. 23, 8 p.m. at Meadowbrook  
 • **John Mulaney** Monday, Aug. 24, 8 p.m. at Casino Ballroom  
 • **Brett Dennen** Wednesday, Aug. 26, 7 p.m. at Prescott Park  
 • **John Hiatt Combo & Taj Mahal Trio** Thursday, Aug. 27, 7:30 p.m. at Boarding House Park



# Puzzle Marmalade

## Across

1. "\_\_\_ it good" Devo  
 5. ZZ Top 'El Loco' song about a girl  
 10. Brand New 'In \_\_\_' (1,3)  
 14. Midwest home state of Slipknot  
 15. Gene Simmons "I'm living \_\_\_, at the Holiday Inn" (2,3)  
 16. What Harry Nilsson put the lime in (abbr)  
 17. '92 debut Pavement album '\_\_\_ Enchanted' (7,3)  
 19. 'Am I \_\_\_' Metallica



20. GoGos '\_\_\_ Strange' (3,2)  
 21. LFO '\_\_\_ Story' (4,4)  
 23. "When the morning comes" Meat Loaf would be gone like this  
 26. 'Sun Always Shines On TV' band  
 27. Bob Dylan 'Slow Train Coming' closer (4,2,7)  
 34. Fiction Plane 'It's \_\_\_' (1,3)  
 36. 'If You're Poor, Find Something to Sue Somebody For' Meg & \_\_\_  
 37. 'It's In The Way That You' do this, to Clapton (3,2)  
 38. There was a 'Murder In The Red' one, to Tom Waits  
 39. Alice In Chains '\_\_\_ Away' (1,4)  
 42. 'What Have I Done' Terenure  
 43. Sugar Ray smash '\_\_\_ Morning'  
 45. It may need stroking by producer  
 46. ABC 'Be \_\_\_ Me'  
 47. "Voulez-vous coucher avec moi?" smash (4,9)  
 51. Stage signal from musical director

## 8/13



52. Cali city Tesla formed in (abbr)  
 53. The Police 'Zenyatta \_\_\_'  
 58. Erasure song that is not funny?  
 63. Bryan Adams '18 Til \_\_\_' (1,3)  
 64. Storm systems Muse's 'Butterflies' get caught in?  
 67. Musical mark on scale  
 68. Foo Fighters "\_\_\_ ten!"  
 69. Repeated word in 'Fever To Tell' band name  
 70. What Belly fed  
 71. What musician does to music put in front of him at audition  
 72. James played in 'Cadillac Records' by Beyonce

## Down

1. Nine Inch Nails song about desire?  
 2. Extreme '\_\_\_ Hearted'  
 3. Maroon 5 'The Way \_\_\_' (1,3)  
 4. Slams, in review of show  
 5. Simple Plan 'Your Love Is A \_\_\_'  
 6. '04 Cure hit 'The \_\_\_ Of The World'  
 7. First Time Ever \_\_\_ Your Face (1,3)  
 8. 'Sending All My Love' band that go in a straight line?  
 9. '85 Talking Heads hit '\_\_\_ Was' (3,3)  
 10. Frehley and Motorhead's 'Spades'  
 11. 'Dead Or Alive' Bon \_\_\_  
 12. 60s concert drug  
 13. Type of model well behaved rockers are  
 18. Replacements 'Achin' \_\_\_' (2,2)  
 22. 'All The Things She Said' Russians  
 24. LMFAO 'Sexy \_\_\_ Know It' (3,1)

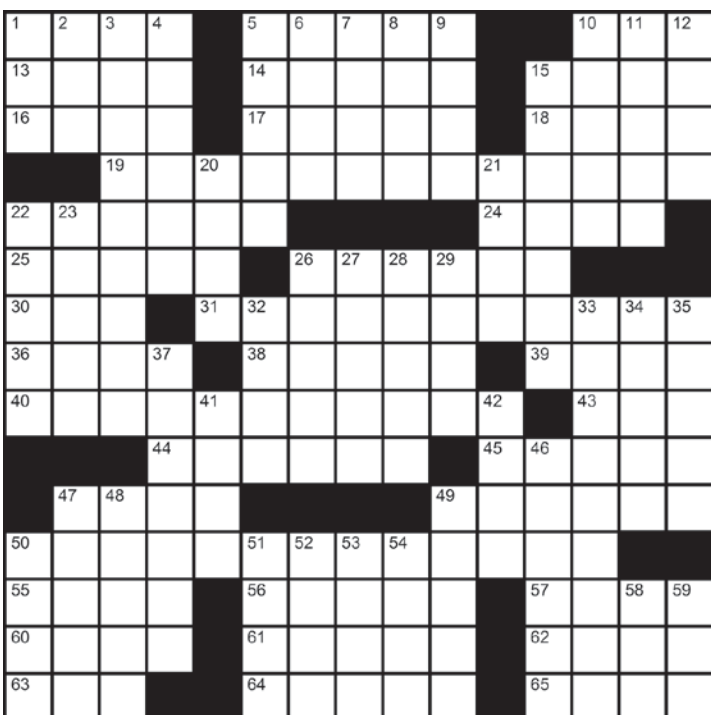
25. Madonna '\_\_\_ Used To Be My Playground'  
 27. '76 Jeff Beck album  
 28. Punk/spoken word man Rollins  
 29. David Lee Roth '\_\_\_ And Smile' (3,2)  
 30. '99 Godflesh album '\_\_\_ Them' (2,3)  
 31. Who the Left Banke told to 'Walk Away'  
 32. Gordon of Veruca Salt  
 33. '99 Smash Mouth hit 'All \_\_\_'  
 34. 'Drowning (Face Down)' band  
 35. Air song about volcanic flow?  
 40. "Jumping Jack flash is \_\_\_" (1,3)  
 41. 'May I Sing With Me' \_\_\_ Tengor (2,2)  
 44. Village People favorite  
 48. Songsmith  
 49. You do this to guitar in middle of show  
 50. 'Fly On The Wall' band  
 53. Condition of The Cure's 'Car'  
 54. What 'That Smell' was about?  
 55. Modest Mouse 'All \_\_\_ Diner'  
 56. Half of 'Groove Is In The Heart' band name  
 57. Practice space  
 59. Actress/standards singer Martha  
 60. James "Can't catch love with \_\_\_ or a gun" (1,3)  
 61. Napalm Death 'Apex Predator- Easy \_\_\_'  
 62. Cornershop had a 'Brimful Of' it  
 65. To relieve manager  
 66. Music industry contacts



# "Dual Roles" — we're going to name names

## Across

- 1 Banned, poshly  
5 Lou who sang "You'll Never Find Another Love Like Mine"  
10 Baby \_\_\_ choy  
13 Fuzzy memory  
14 Believed without question  
15 "Game of Thrones" actress  
16 It's called for claims  
17 Elevated  
18 Ventilation shaft



- 19 Dude who's extremely chummy?  
22 "Friends" family name  
24 Tennis icon Arthur  
25 The Atlantic, e.g.  
26 "Gomer Pyle, U.S.M.C." star Jim  
30 Yorkiepool, e.g.  
31 Make actress Sobieski's hair stick straight out?  
36 Burden  
38 No right \_\_\_  
39 "There is no try" utterer  
40 Me playing some hand drums?  
43 Health supp.  
44 Toledo's home  
45 Kagan of the Supreme Court  
47 Bahama \_\_\_ (rum cocktail)  
49 Visit, as an inn  
50 Toy train enthusiast?

## 8/13



- 55 Shaving gel additive  
56 Muhammad's pugilistic daughter, with 2-down  
57 Chain items  
60 1/1760th of a mile  
61 Poker announcement  
62 Ample Aussie avifauna  
63 Boise-to-Billings dir.  
64 No-strings-attached they aren't  
65 Cable channel since 1979

## Down

- 1 "We're not sure yet," on a schedule  
2 See 56-Across  
3 Bazooka insert  
4 Author \_\_\_ K. Le Guin  
5 Down time, briefly  
6 "The washing machine is not \_\_\_"  
7 Spud of NBA fame  
8 She's back in town, in a Fats Waller song  
9 Reached 65, in some places  
10 Big branch  
11 Just as planned  
12 "Firework" singer Perry  
15 Homeric epic  
20 Bear lairs  
21 Ice Bucket Challenge's premise  
22 Beckett's no-show  
23 "Low-priced" commercial prefix  
26 One may be silent but deadly

- 27 "The Rubber Capital of the World"  
28 "There's \_\_\_ terrible mistake!"  
29 "Ye" follower, on shoppe signs  
32 "\_\_\_ and Circumstance"  
33 They may be written to your schmoopy  
34 Patsy's "Absolutely Fabulous" sidekick  
35 Gnaw away  
37 Like wine glasses  
41 "\_\_\_ can you see..."  
42 Green heard in "Family Guy"  
46 "Check this out!"  
47 "The Last Supper" location  
48 Dino's love  
49 Imaging center images  
50 "The Gong Show" panelist \_\_\_ P. Morgan  
51 Modeling material  
52 Golden ring  
53 Like some salads  
54 Mishmash  
58 "Uh-huh!"  
59 ID where you might reveal the last 4

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**Virgo (Aug. 23 – Sept. 22)** *Again, the violins were playing. I had the ring picked out, I'd made a down payment on the cottage by the sea and was just about to mail out the invitations. Well, not quite, but I tell myself I have to stop falling for every girl who smiles at me. You might need to rein yourself in a little.*

**Libra (Sept. 23 – Oct. 22)** *Out of my feeling of isolation and the need to belong to something, I've started joining a bunch of kids' mail-order clubs. I still have all the badges and pins they sent me to let me know how truly and deeply they cared. THE BIGGLES AIR POLICE. THE DOLPHIN CLUB. And unfortunately something called Harold Hare's Pets Club. Join the club.*

**Scorpio (Oct. 23 – Nov. 21)** *After the first interschool soccer game, I proudly tell my mum that I stopped the other team from scoring eight goals. "How many goals did you let in?" she asks. "Eight. They beat us eight to nothing," I say without a hint of irony. Your flaws will not mask your accomplishments.*

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22 – Dec. 21)** *But right now I'm devouring Think and Grow Rich like a hippie does pot brownies. I start making lists and slogans and daydreaming/visualizing what I want and where I want to be. Visualize now for success later.*

**Capricorn (Dec. 22 – Jan. 19)** *I could rewrite a whole book about my connection with Australia — my homeland. It truly is my small town that I love/hate. Your small-town connections will serve you well.*

**Aquarius (Jan. 20 – Feb. 18)** *I am sure of one thing: I love playing live. I connect to it on a level that goes deeper and is more meaningful than merely having a good time*

*with a bunch of strangers. It is the only true way I connect 100 percent with humanity. You will forge meaningful connections by doing what you love.*

**Pisces (Feb. 19 – March 20)** *She suggests I check out the acting class she's taking at a workshop here in Hollywood. By this time I've forgotten my ignoble beginnings as Captain Scuttleboom and I agree to do just that. It's a fine time to start a new project.*

**Aries (March 21 – April 19)** *As a songwriter, it's natural for me to stay open and receptive to everything that I and the people around me are feeling, doing, saying, and fantasizing about. It's not a skill set that every job requires; for many people it would be a headache they don't need. Stay open to others' ideas.*

**Taurus (April 20 – May 20)** *Am I in the wrong business? Is this a sign that I should have kept to the "electrician" backup plan like my mum wanted? Or — and this is where my insatiable drive kicks in — am I being tested to see how bad I want it? You're not being tested, but decide what you want.*

**Gemini (May 21 – June 20)** *I'm very career-driven and impatient for success. But that impatience doesn't make the success come any sooner, and it flows into other areas of my life where it doesn't belong. I make spur-of-the-moment bad decisions that leave me feeling worse, not better. Practice patience. Read a book while you wait.*

**Cancer (June 21 – July 22)** *Since I'm making my only money from acting, I throw my energy into it, but an actor's life is filled with days, weeks, and months of waiting, so I continue to write songs.... You can do more than one thing.*

**Leo (July 23 – Aug. 22)** *We hurry, attempting to make up for lost time, so of course we get lost. Really lost. Really, really lost. Slow down and look at a map.*

## NITE SUDOKU

### Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

	9		6		3		2	
7	2						4	3
		8				1		
8				4				5
5				2				7
		4				7		
9	3						6	1
	6		1		9		8	

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. Last week's puzzle answers are below

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9	7	1	5	6	8	4	3	2
6	2	4	3	1	7	9	8	5
3	5	8	2	9	4	6	1	7
7	3	6	1	2	5	8	4	9
5	4	9	8	3	6	2	7	1
8	1	2	7	4	9	5	6	3
4	6	7	9	5	3	1	2	8
2	9	3	4	8	1	7	5	6
1	8	5	6	7	2	3	9	4

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## USERS GUIDE TO THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPHERD

**Pets of the 1 percent**  
 “The worshipful treatment of pets may be the thing that unites all Americans,” wrote an Atlantic Magazine blogger in July, describing the luxury terminal for animals under construction at New York’s JFK airport. The ARK will offer shower stalls for traveling horses, “conjugal stations” for penguins, and housing for nearly 200 cows (that might produce 5,000 pounds of manure every day) and passengers traveling with dogs or cats can book the Paradise 4 Paws pet-pampering resort. The ARK is a for-profit venture; said one industry source, quoted in a July Crain’s New York Business report, “You hear stories about the crazy money that rich people spend on their (animals) ... they’re mostly true.”

**Government in action**  
 • Officially, now, it is “unreasonable” for a federal agency (the Bureau of Land Management, in this instance) to fail to say yes or no for 29 years to a drilling permit application. (Before July’s federal court decision, BLM had been arguing that 29 years was not too long.) A company had requested to drill just one exploratory well in Montana for natural gas in 1985, but the bureau had delayed the proceeding six times since then. The judge ordered the bureau to set a deadline for deciding.

• Georgia, one of six states that make taxpayers shell out huge fees to access its databases of public records, tries so relentlessly to control its archive that, recently, in a federal lawsuit, it said opposition to its policy was basically “terrorism.” Activists (Public.Resource.org) have been establishing workarounds to free up some databases for citizen use, and Georgia demands that they stop. Georgia even claims “copyright” protection for one category of important legal documents that were initially drafted by state bureaucrats, audaciously calling them “original” and “creative” works.

• **Mandatory Inaction:** In July, the mayor of the town of Ador, Spain (pop. 1,400), officially enacted into law what had merely been custom a required afternoon siesta from 2 to 5 p.m. Businesses were ordered to close, and children were to remain indoors (and quiet).

**Police report**  
 • At a traffic stop in Rockingham, Vermont, on July 26, both driver and passenger were charged with DUI. Erik Polite, 35, was the driver (clocked at 106 mph on Interstate 91 and, according to police, with drugs in the car), and while he was being screened for intoxication, passenger Leeshawn Baker, 34, jumped behind the wheel and peeled off in reverse across the highway, nearly hitting the trooper, who arrested him.

• Nathaniel Harrison, 38, was arrest-

ed in July in a Phoenix suburb on several charges, including possession of a deadly weapon during a felony, but he escaped an even more serious charge when a second “deadly weapon” failed to engage. Harrison reportedly intended to retaliate against a “snitch” and arrived at the man’s home carrying a rattlesnake, which he supposedly pointed at the man, hoping it would bite him. However, the snake balked, and Harrison’s attempted payback failed.

• **Lame Defenses** in Lake County, Florida: (1) Daniel Baker, 40, and Robert Richardson, 19, were arrested in Altoona, Florida, in August after getting caught loading appliances from a vacant house. According to the arrest report, both men appeared incredulous to learn that items in a vacant house aren’t just “free.” (2) Six days earlier about 20 miles away in Tavares, Florida, Corey Ramsey, 23, was arrested for burglary when a police officer caught him sitting on a toilet in a vacant, for-sale house attending to a need. Ramsey’s extensive petty-crime rap sheet belied his explanation for being there that he was contemplating buying the \$299,000 house and wanted to try it out first.

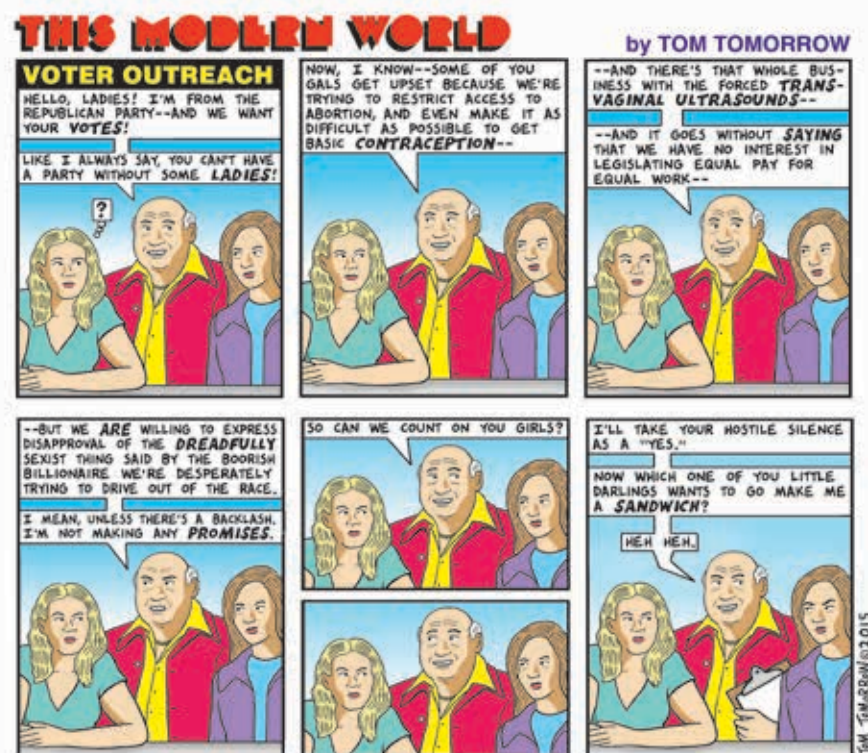
**More ‘intelligent design?’**  
 Zoologists at the University of Basel in Switzerland, publishing recently in a prestigious British journal, reported the likelihood that a certain flatworm species has overcome the frustration of not finding a mating partner in its lifetime. The scientists believe the flatworm exploits its hermaphroditic qualities and injects its sperm into its own head, from which the sperm sometimes migrates to its repro-

ductive facilities. (Flatworm researchers are aided on their projects by the species’ transparent bodies, facilitating the tracking of the sperm.)

**Protest!**  
 • An Aug. 1 demonstration outside Britain’s Parliament protesting legislation to curb until-now-legal psychoactive drugs drew about 100 people consuming their drug of choice, nitrous oxide. As organizers distributed gas-filled balloons for demonstrators to take hits from, “the group erupted in fits of laughter,” according to The Guardian.  
 • About 200 protesters gathered in front of Hong Kong police headquarters on Aug. 2 to denounce the 3 1/2-month jail sentence given to Ms. Ng Lai-ying, 30, who was convicted of assault for shoving a police officer with her chest. Women (and some men) wearing bras as outerwear chanted, “Breast is not a weapon.” (Ng was originally protesting the hardly sexy issue of import-export abuses between Hong Kong and mainland China cities.)

**Perspective**  
 Construction on a \$1.7 million therapeutic equestrian facility in St. Cloud, Florida, expressly for use by wounded U.S. service members, was delayed in August when a bald eagle nest was discovered on the grounds. Federal law requires at least 330 feet of clearance for the nest, plus additional monitoring to assure the birds’ tranquility. Said one neighbor, “The very animal that symbolizes freedom is delaying therapy for those who fought for it.”

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